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The Honorable Buffy Wicks
Assemblymember, 15th District
1021 O Street, Suite 4240
Sacramento, CA 94249

SUBJECT: AB 2011- Affordable Housing and High Road Jobs Act of 2022- OPPOSE

Dear Assemblymember Wicks,

The City of Laguna Niguel must strongly express its opposition to Assembly Bill 2011. This bill usurps local control by making affordable housing by-right in areas currently zoned for office, retail, or parking. Local governments are responsible for facilitating housing production through planning and zoning processes that were established to ensure appropriate public input and engagement, environmental reviews, and compliance with state housing requirements. While we recognize the significant need for the development of new affordable housing units, we feel that providing incentives for doing so is a more effective approach than removing local input and authority through a by-right process.

Cities, not the State, are best suited to make local land-use decisions. The City of Laguna Niguel must respectfully oppose AB 2011.

Sincerely,

Elaine Gennawey
Mayor

Cc: Assembly Committee on Housing and Community Development