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Summary: ECSWANDC stands in support of Social Housing Motion [Council File: 20-0197]

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**To:** City Council and Committee's

**Re:** CF 20-0197 – Letter of Support for Social Housing

As highlighted in the MOTION, the plight of unhoused and lower-income residents in our communities has reached a catastrophic level. This dilemma is further compounded by the devastating effects of the Covid-19 Pandemic which include loss of heads of households, loss of income, loss of jobs, diminished community resources, programs and donations and the systemic racism that has only yet begun to be exposed.

The need for shelter is one of the basic physiological human needs upon which all other needs build upon. (As noted in *Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs* by psychologist Abraham Maslow in "A Theory of Human Motivation" Psychology Review 1943). As such, if the lack of shelter is not satisfied, all other needs fail to be fully fulfilled and the economic, social, and psychological recovery of the city and its occupants will remain stifled and struggling to establish themselves.

As we navigate the pandemic and the far-reaching effects on the housing crisis, it is of extreme importance that solutions addressing this situation be swift and thorough yet creative. Social Housing Motion [Council File: 20-0197] introduces a viable resolve to the housing crisis in the City of Los Angeles.

Social Housing is housing built and maintained by the government; therefore, it can meet the short-coming in units available for affordable housing. Social Housing can also overcome the pitfalls of US public housing while meeting the need for over 500,000 units in Los Angeles County.

In conclusion, the ECSWANDC is in support of this motion.