



March 8, 2019

The Honorable David Chiu
California State Assembly
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 11 (Chiu) Community Redevelopment Law 2019 - Support

Dear Assemblymember David Chiu,

I am writing to you on behalf of the California Alliance for Retired Americans (CARA) to support AB 11. CARA is California's largest grassroots senior advocacy organization, representing over 1,000,000 seniors and their families through our 275+ affiliated organizations. Affordable housing is a CARA priority.

AB 11 allows cities and counties to create affordable housing and infrastructure agencies to fund affordable housing and infrastructure projects using tax increment financing with state approval. The new agencies would be required to set aside thirty percent of funding for the creation, improvement, or rehabilitation of affordable housing.

AB 11 is vitally important to seniors, providing robust replacement housing policies and anti-displacement policies. AB 11 provides the local jurisdictions with the property tax base necessary to fund many important activities including affordable housing and infrastructure.

For these reasons, CARA supports AB 11 and thanks you for introducing this important legislation. Our members and organization look forward to working with you on its passage.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "Hene Kelly".

Hene Kelly
Legislative Director
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