



May 22, 2020

Assembly Housing & Community Development Committee
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 2782 (Stone) – Mobilehome parks: change of use

Dear Assembly Members of the Committee:

I am writing on behalf of the California Alliance for Retired Americans (CARA) in support of AB 2782. CARA is California's largest grassroots senior and disability advocacy organization, representing over 1,000,000 seniors and their families through our 270 affiliated organizations. Many seniors are living on a fixed income and many of these individuals are living in Mobil Home Parks.

AB 2782 will prevent harm to mobilehome residents, when the land underneath our homes, is converted to another use by the park owner. Preventing harm to individuals on fixed-income, low-income and to individuals losing their jobs during the COVID-19 pandemic needs your immediate attention. AB 2782 would establish a reasonable, minimum standard for the conversion of a mobilehome park, without preventing local governments from enacting more stringent measures.

AB 2782 would require a relocation plan and a determine of whether or not a mobilehome park conversion would result in the lessening of housing opportunities for low- and moderate- income households.

Nothing in the bill would dictate local government outcomes related to a park closure.

AB 2782 also requires that if a resident cannot obtain adequate housing in another park, then a resident would be entitled to the in-place market value of their home as a result of the park closure.

For these reasons, CARA strongly supports AB 2782 and asks for a **YES** vote when it comes before your committee. **Seniors should not lose the market value of our home due investment decisions outside our control.**

Sincerely,

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

Hene Kelly
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