The Honorable Adrin Nazarian  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, California 95814

RE: AB 1083 (Nazarian) – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Nazarian,

The California Alliance for Retired Americans (CARA) writes in strong support of Assembly Bill 1083, to support the establishment of the Housing Plus Services Nursing Pilot Program. CARA is California’s largest grassroots advocacy organization, representing over 1 million members through our 300+ affiliated organizations.

AB 1083 would require the CA Dept on Aging to establish and administer the Housing Plus Services Nursing Pilot Program in the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, Sacramento, and Sonoma. The program would provide grant funds to qualified nonprofit organizations that specialize in resident services for the purposes of hiring one full-time registered nurse to work at 3 senior citizen housing developments in each county to provide health education, navigation, coaching, and care to residents.

As our State and Counties age, the need for affordable housing with services to support older residents to age at home is critical. These services, where provided, keep seniors housed and living as independently as they can, with grace and dignity. Without these supportive services, many seniors could wind up in more institutional settings without services, connections, and the health and independence they require in order to thrive.

For all these reasons, CARA urges support of AB 1083. CARA looks forward to working with you on its passage.

Sincerely,

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