

City of Albany

Proclamation



IN RECOGNITION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING MONTH May 2024

WHEREAS, quality affordable homes are vital to healthy, safe, and racially just communities; and

WHEREAS, even before current high inflation rates, increasing housing costs led longtime residents to be displaced, live in overcrowded homes, or experience homelessness, threatening our region's racial diversity and economic opportunity; and

WHEREAS, stable affordable homes are the solution to homelessness, and support seniors, families, youth, veterans, people with disabilities or special needs, and our whole community; and

WHEREAS, the upcoming November 2024 ballot presents an unique opportunity to vote on a regional bond that will generate as much as \$20 billion for the creation of affordable housing and homelessness solutions across the nine counties, signaling the importance of unity among our communities; and

WHEREAS, this general obligation bond measure would build and preserve tens of thousands of new affordable homes, house hundreds of thousands of our neighbors, and generate tens of thousands of jobs; and

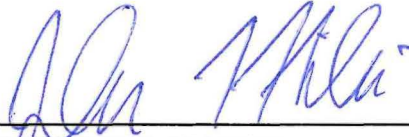
WHEREAS, local housing organizations are continuing to recognize May as Bay Area Affordable Housing Month because regional action to a growing regional housing crisis is an essential part of recovery from the pandemic and the work to ensure that everyone has an affordable and stable home; and

WHEREAS, East Bay Housing Organizations has organized Affordable Housing Week for 28 years, acknowledging the need for and benefits of affordable homes; and

WHEREAS, as East Bay Housing Organizations proudly commemorates its 40th anniversary, it continues to champion affordable housing in the East Bay, fostering a racially and economically just community for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Albany City Council does hereby recognize May as Affordable Housing Month in the City of Albany; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the City of Albany will work to support affordable and stable housing at the local, regional, state, and federal levels.



JOHN MIKI, MAYOR

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