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RE: AB 1487 (Chiu) San Francisco Bay area: housing development: financing.as amended 5/16/19
Notice of OPPOSITION

AB 1487 establishes Housing Alliance Bay Area (HABA) an entity with regional taxing authority, governed by a board the membership, size, and geographic representation of which will be determined by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Executive Board of the Association of Bay Area Governments

MCCMC opposes AB 1487. Underlying concerns include the expense and bureaucracy of a new board, the proposal to having it served by the MCT/ABAG staff with no identified source of stable funding and issues about how the ballot measures are to be funded.

However, our opposition is firmly rooted in the lack of local control over the composition of the entity and the disposition of needed housing funds that might be raised. Any regional ballot measure has the potential to compete with local school parcel taxes, pre-school measures, transportation sales taxes and other measures, fees, or funds crucial to the delivery of needed services to all local communities that will be providing them to the residents of existing and newly funded housing.

MCCMC opposes AB 1487.

Respectfully,

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