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California Cities for Local Control, a growing coalition comprising to-date of <u>over 427</u> <u>locally-elected California City Mayors and Councilmembers</u>, strongly opposes AB 115 (see website referenced below for list of elected officials).

AB 115 removes local discretion in zoning decisions by requiring that a housing development be approved in commercial zones if 20 percent of the units are designated affordable for purchase or rent and certain location parameters are met. While such rezoning may be appropriate and desirable in many circumstances, decision-making authority should be left with local jurisdictions who have in-depth knowledge of their communities.

The Legislature should work cooperatively with city governments to address the state's housing needs.

Sincerely,

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