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September 9, 2021

The Honorable Gavin Newsom
Governor of California
State Capitol Building
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Re: Senate Bill 10 (Wiener) Planning and zoning: housing development: density
Veto Letter from the Cities of Pleasanton, San Ramon, and the Town of
Danville**

Dear Governor Newsom,

On behalf of the Cities of Pleasanton, San Ramon, and the Town of Danville, we write in respectful opposition to Senate Bill 10 (Wiener). We urge you to Veto the bill when brought to your desk for consideration.

This bill would, notwithstanding any local restrictions on adopting zoning ordinances, authorize a local government to pass an ordinance to zone any parcel for up to 10 units of residential density per parcel, at a height specified in the ordinance, if the parcel is located in a transit-rich area or an urban infill site. Our jurisdictions have concerns around the provision which would allow a voter-approved initiative against adopting zoning ordinances to be negated. While our coalition advocates for local control, and this bill does provide such to local legislative bodies such as a city or town council, we also recognize the importance of resident voices in local communities and the importance of respecting their decision-making power around land use and other local issues.

So long as the provision allowing a voter-approved initiative to be overturned remains in the bill, we must continue to oppose it.

Ultimately, this bill would diminish the voice of California residents and as such, we urge you to Veto SB 10 (Wiener).

Sincerely,



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Mayor of Danville



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Mayor of Pleasanton



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