



March 18, 2024

Dear Chair Howard and Members of the House Housing Finance and Policy Committee:

Metro Cities, representing the collective interests of cities in the metropolitan area, supports HF 4194 – Howard which authorizes an additional \$500 million in Housing Infrastructure Bonds.

Metro Cities' policies support increased, sustainable and adequate state funding for new and existing programs that support life cycle, workforce, and affordable housing. Metro Cities supports housing programs that assist housing development, preservation and maintenance of existing housing stock, including unsubsidized, naturally occurring affordable housing that is affordable to residents throughout the low-to-moderate income range.

Providing additional Housing Infrastructure Bonds will support our cities in their efforts to create and support additional affordable housing.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ania McDonnell'.

Ania McDonnell
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