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Re: SB1120 - OPPOSE

Dear Honorable Members of the Various Review Committees:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Shadow Hills Property Owners Association, which is located in the N.E. San Fernando Valley in Los Angeles, and represents approximately 2200 households.

Apparently Senator Wiener, now joined by Toni Atkins, cannot help himself in proposing yet another piece of terrible legislation that encroaches on local agencies' abilities to create and enforce their own zoning that is appropriate and congruent with their communities. Since he failed miserably three times due to local communities' outcry with SB50, he's now pulling another stunt now known as SB1120. One only has to look at the nearly \$200,000 in campaign contributions he received from the real estate industry that would reap billions in revenue if this legislation is enacted.

Wiener claims that families who own in single family homes with yards is immoral! This dangerous rhetoric is shameful and is an attack on our rights to own homes and provide a safe yard where our children can play, where we can have backyard BBQs, weddings, parties, and enjoy our freedoms. I cannot imagine the torture that people being confined in apartments are going through during this pandemic—they don't have yards for outdoor recreating and the parks and trails have been closed periodically to the public. What is truly "immoral" is Wiener and Atkin's legislation that would inflict pain and suffering on all Californians.

What happens to existing single family homes? Are those families going to be evicted so that some fat cat developer can come in, raze their house, and build up to EIGHT (8) units (4 units plus granny flat allowances) (all-the-while raking in billions in profit)?

COVID-19 has proved that pandemics spread exponentially faster in densely populated areas which SB1120 would certainly provide.

We urge you to oppose SB1120 and to allow local agencies to exercise their right to enact their own zoning laws without the interference of state legislation. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Cindy Bloom, President

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