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Subject: Agenda Item 2d - 23-0097 - Support

Hello,

I write to offer the Bay Area Council's support for Item 2D - 23-0097, MTC Resolution No 4555. The Bay Area needs solutions to the housing crisis, and innovative building materials must be a part of the conversation on how to reduce overall housing costs. We are excited to see MTC and its partners taking steps to create the Bay Area Builders Lab, and we think this resolution's goal of applying for REAP 2.0 funds to begin one is a strategic investment in our region's future. I would also note that the current proposed site for the Lab, Alameda, is a potential advantage because of its proximity and access to global marine shipping, allowing us to leverage lower shipping costs. Thank you for bringing this item forward, and we wish to support your application to HCD if you choose to submit one. We encourage MTC to contact us with information about how we might be able to help this project in the future.

Best wishes,
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