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Dear Chair Haggerty and members,

On behalf of the California State Assembly, congratulations on the inaugural meeting of the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority (BAHFA). It is bold steps such as this that will help us solve our region's housing crisis.

BAHFA will provide the nine counties and 101 cities and towns in the Bay Area additional capacity and resources to address our housing crisis, focusing on housing preservation, protection, and production. BAHFA will also enable the close coordination, regional thinking, and decisive action necessary to address our housing challenges. I am particularly enthusiastic about the complementary leadership roles that ABAG and MTC will play and how that will bring varied expertise and perspectives to this work.

In the midst of this incredibly challenging time, I applaud ABAG and MTC's leadership for recognizing BAHFA's potential and the value of moving it forward. In the months and years ahead, I look forward to continuing to work with the region's leaders to ensure that this potential can be fulfilled.

If I can ever be of assistance in your endeavors, please do not hesitate to reach out. I know that working collectively we can address our housing crisis and create a Bay Area that is truly affordable to all.

Sincerely,

**DAVID CHIU**  
Assemblymember, 17th District