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The Honorable Luis Alejo California State Assembly State Capitol, Room 3149 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 2280 - Community Revitalization & Investment Authority – Support

Dear Assembly Member Alejo:

On behalf of the members of the California Apartment Association (CAA), I am writing to inform you that CAA has taken a support position on AB 2280, your bill that would create Community Revitalization and Investment Authorities to help fund community improvements and create more affordable housing.

CAA believes that having an adequate supply of affordable housing is critical to all communities throughout California. AB 2280 will be a valuable economic development tool for communities, especially more disadvantaged ones. It will help increase employment opportunities, reduce crime rates, repair deteriorating and inadequate infrastructure, and promote more affordable housing.

The California Apartment Association is the largest rental housing trade organization in the country, representing more than 50,000 owners and operators who are responsible for more than 2 million rental units. We appreciate your work.

Sincerely,

CALIFORNIA APARTMENT ASSOCIATION

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