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Cities Association of Santa Clara County
Attention: Honorable City Selection Committee Members
PO Box 3144
Los Altos, CA 94024

RE: Appointment to the ABAG/MTC CASA Legislative Task Force

Dear Director Jordan and Selection Committee Members:

I write in support of appointing Morgan Hill Councilmember Yvonne Martinez Beltran to serve as a Cities Association of Santa Clara County representative to the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) CASA Legislative Task Force as representative of the small cities in Santa Clara County.

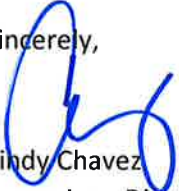
Throughout her life, Yvonne has been engaged in the issue of affordable housing in one way or another. Her father was a small developer, and she grew up on a job site. She earned her Masters in Urban Planning (specializing in Housing and Economic Development) from NYU. While in New York, she organized numerous housing panels on topics such as the challenges of building affordable housing, place making and reviewing housing projects for community fit, circulation and whether or not they were smart and transit-oriented developments.

While she grew up in Morgan Hill, she trained, worked, and lived in urban San Diego, New York, and San Francisco. With extensive experience in both worlds, she understands the complex challenges that both face with regard to housing and affordable housing policies.

As a Morgan Hill Planning Commissioner, Yvonne helped create the city's residential development system that guides high quality housing projects and development. As a Councilmember, she has expanded her reach and connected with local and state legislators to ensure that the concerns of Morgan Hill residents are heard, and that Morgan Hill has a seat at the table. I have no doubt that as a member of the CASA Legislative Task Force, she will be just as, if not more, proactive, efficient, and effective on behalf of all small cities and towns in our county.

I urge you to appoint her to the CASA Legislative Task Force.

Sincerely,


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