

June 9, 2026

The Honorable Jesse Arreguín
Chair, Senate Housing Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 3330
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1567 (Ta) General Plan: Annual Report: Congregate Care for the Elderly - SUPPORT

Dear Chair Arreguín,

The city of San Marcos is pleased to support **AB 1567 (Ta)**, which would allow local agencies to receive Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) credit for up to 15% of a jurisdiction's RHNA number for any income category for the development of senior residential living facilities and congregate care for the elderly.

On any given day, newspaper headlines in California and across the nation are highlighting the state's growing housing supply and affordability crisis. Seven in ten Californians view housing affordability as one of the top problems in their community, and there is growing concern from residents that housing prices are so expensive, younger generations will be priced out of ever being able to buy a home.

City officials intimately understand this crisis as it plays out in their communities every day. Local leaders are working to find creative solutions to spur more housing construction at all income levels. In fact, cities are currently planning and zoning for 2.5 million additional homes statewide. Cal Cities continues to support efforts to balance the needs of local communities with planning for housing that is available to all residents across California, regardless of their race, income, or life stage.

According to January 2023 data from the California Department of Social Services, there are over 7,100 residential care facilities serving nearly 210,000 residents in California. Local governments play a key role in siting and zoning for these facilities. Yet, local jurisdictions do not receive credit in their RHNA for these efforts, despite these facilities increasing housing availability across the state. AB 1567 would allow local governments to include these efforts in their RHNA progress while also gathering more data for the state about the availability of these important living facilities. Senior residential living facilities are a vital mechanism for older residents to age comfortably while receiving the necessary services to maintain a higher quality of life.

For these reasons, the city of San Marcos is pleased to support **AB 1567 (Ta)**.

Sincerely,

Rebecca D. Jones
Mayor