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The Honorable Christopher Cabaldon
1021 O Street, Suite 7320
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RE: SB 417 (Cabaldon) as amended on January 22, 2026. Position: Support if Amended.

Dear Senator Cabaldon,

As the Yolo County Supervisor for District 4, I write to express my support for SB417, the Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026, if it is amended to include public higher education institutions – particularly the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) systems – as eligible recipients of bond funding for housing.

The next generation of Californians face an affordability crisis as they navigate their higher education journeys in our state. Allowing the UCs and CSUs to be eligible for housing bond funds will ensure attending a public university in California will provide students with more affordable housing options as they prepare to fuel California's future.

Including higher education systems in the housing bond framework could also provide an opportunity at a time when California needs to get creative to address our housing shortage. University campuses are adept at quickly building affordable housing for students, increasing the local supply and relieving the strain on housing in our communities.

Amending SB 417 to include higher education recipients would ensure California is pursuing all available solutions to the housing crisis while supporting the next generation of Californians.

Thank you for your work and consideration.

Sincerely,

Sheila A. Allen, RN, PhD
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