***SAMPLE SUPPORT LETTER SB 1211 (Skinner) – Optimizing Multifamily ADUs***

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*Please also send a copy of your letter to Senator Skinner’s office at:* *Kate.Chatfield@sen.ca.gov* *and to* *celeste@casitacoalition.org**. Thank you!*

 [DATE]

Senator Nancy Skinner

California State Senate

1021 O Street, Suite 8630

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**RE: Senate Bill 1211 (Skinner), Optimizing Multifamily ADUs – (SUPPORT)**

Dear Senator Skinner:

On behalf of [Organization’s name], I am writing in **SUPPORT** of **Senate Bill (SB) 1211.** SB 1211 will provide more flexibility for ADU configuration on underutilized multifamily sites, adding to the State’s housing supply.

[Include a paragraph about your organization specific knowledge of need for this bill]

Current law allows the addition of ADUs on multifamily properties in unoccupied areas of existing structures. However, only 2 multi-family site ADUs can be detached from the structure. Underutilized site area such as carports, surface parking, and other areas cannot be modified to add more than 2 ADUs under current law, regardless of how large the site is or whether it has large areas for trash, surface parking or carports.

AB 1211 will create more flexibility in where the multifamily ADUs can be located, subject to the total number of units allowed under existing law. This will make multifamily ADU law more comparable to ADUs on single family lots where ADUs can be built as interior, attached or detached configurations, up to the total ADU cap applicable to the property. Current law provisions for single family properties where replacement parking is not required would also be extended to multifamily ADUs under this bill. AB 1211 will result in more ADUs built, more underutilized land developed as smaller more naturally affordable homes, to help ease the State’s housing crisis.

It is for these reasons that [Name of Organization] is pleased to **SUPPORT** SB 1211

Sincerely,

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