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Honorable Members of the Housing Committee
California State Senate
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WPRA Support of SB 15

Honorable Committee Members –

The West Pasadena Residents' Association **supports** Senate Bill 15, which would incentivize local governments to rezone idle big-box retail and commercial shopping centers for housing by providing grants based on the sales and use tax revenue that had been generated by those sites.

WPRA believes this approach would be a valuable tool to address the many-faceted problem of insufficient housing in our cities. One of the most important features of the bill is that the discretion for utilizing its provisions remains with local governments and their residents, as opposed to draconian state mandates.

Thank you for considering our point of view.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Beal".

Dan Beal
President, West Pasadena Residents Association
For the Board of Directors

The WPRA is an all-volunteer organization dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the quality of life in southwest Pasadena. We represent 7,000 households, including 1,000 paid members