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April 3, 2026

The Honorable Jesse Gabriel
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite 8230
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1924 (Gabriel) – Homelessness Prevention Strategy – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Gabriel:

MidPen Housing is pleased to write to you in support of your bill AB 1924, which would direct the department of Housing and Community Development to develop a statewide homelessness prevention strategy, and to develop and disseminate model practices for preventing homelessness by July 1, 2027. This bill will make prevention a strategic priority, along with establishing the state’s first-ever homelessness prevention goals and metrics by which to assess progress.

MidPen Housing is one of the nation’s leading nonprofit developers, owners, and managers of high-quality, affordable housing and onsite resident services. Since MidPen was founded in 1970, we have developed 140 communities and over 10,400 homes for low-income families, seniors and those with supportive housing needs throughout Northern California.

California has made historic investments in homelessness response in recent years, and more people exit homelessness to permanent housing each year; yet for every person who moves into housing, nearly three people experience homelessness for the first time. To make sustained progress in reducing homelessness, the state must dramatically decrease the number of people pushed into homelessness.

AB 1924 will help California’s most vulnerable residents, preventing homelessness before it occurs and preserving the state’s limited resources.

For these reasons, we are pleased to support AB 1924. Thank you for authoring this important legislation. Please feel free to contact Nevada V. Merriman, Vice President of Policy & Advocacy, at 650-477-6195 or nmerriman@midpen-housing.org.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Matthew O. Franklin', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Matthew O. Franklin
President and CEO

CC: Nevada V. Merriman, Vice President of Policy & Advocacy, MidPen Housing