Texas Members of the House Financial Services Committee:

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We, the undersigned, are calling on the Texas Congressional Members of the House Financial Services Committee to pass the recently proposed Budget Reconciliation Package, which includes more than $330 Billion in affordable housing investment.

Affordable housing is critical to all Texas communities large and small. As it stands now, it is estimated that Texas is nearly 600,000 affordable housing units short to meet the needs of extremely low-income renters. In addition, an estimated 27,000 people experience homelessness in our state on any given night. Housing is the critical tool in ending homelessness for individuals, families, and veterans.

The bill includes the following critical investments in housing:

- $90 billion for rental assistance, including $75 billion for Housing Choice Vouchers and $15 billion for Project-Based Rental Assistance;
- $80 billion to preserve public housing; and
- $37 billion for the national Housing Trust Fund (as a set-aside within the HOME Investment Partnership Program);
- $35 billion for the HOME Investment Partnership Program;
- $9.6 billion for a new “Housing Investment Fund” through the Capital Magnet Fund;
- $10 billion to address lead hazards and ensure healthy housing;
- $10 billion for down payment assistance;
- $8.5 billion for Community Development Block Grants;
- $7.5 billion for a Community Restoration and Revitalization Fund
- $6 billion for green preservation of HUD multifamily housing;
- $4 billion to address health and safety concerns in HUD homes;
- $5.1 billion for rural housing;
- $4.5 billion to address zoning barriers to affordable housing;
- $2.5 billion for Section 202 Housing for the Elderly;
- $1 billion for Section 811 Housing for Persons with Disabilities;
- $2 billion for tribal housing; and
- $1.25 billion for fair housing activities.
Signed,

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Austin Street Center
Faith Forward Dallas
Faith in Texas
Family Gateway
Feeding Texas
First United Methodist Church, Dallas
Harmony CDC
RoommateMe LLC
Texas Association of Community Development Corporations
Texas Homeless Network
Texas Housers
Texas Tenants’ Union
Texas Women’s Foundation
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