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Daurice Kalfsbeek Smith, Chair
Colusa County Board of Supervisors
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RE: Mutual Benefit of Lake County Housing Commission Voluntary Transfer to Regional Housing Authority

Dear Chair Kalfsbeek Smith, and Colusa County Board of Supervisors,

The Lake County Housing Commission (LCHC) thanks you for this opportunity to outline the mutual benefit of voluntarily transferring our Section 8 housing voucher programs to Regional Housing Authority (RHA.).

LCHC is a small housing authority, without diverse funding streams. We operate Section 8 Housing Choice Vouchers (HCV), Veteran's Affairs Support Housing (VASH), and have a small remaining caseload of Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV). As your board is aware, without diversified funding streams, it is difficult to expand housing authority services. LCHC is in good standing, with sufficient funding for current operations, but lacks the ability to grow.

Transfer was suggested by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

As you know, Section 8 voucher holders already have the choice of where they can live, meaning that families in our counties can already move between our counties, which currently involves extra coordination between our two housing authorities. Transfer will improve the efficiency of this process.

Additionally, transfer to a larger housing authority provides the opportunity to expand housing services in Lake County, including the development of affordable housing through Project Based Vouchers (PBV). We have held approximately 30% of our HCV to transition to PBV upon transfer to RHA. Additionally, transfer to RHA could bring the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program back to Lake County.

We respectfully request your support in improving Section 8 housing programs in Lake county and all counties RHA currently serves, Sutter, Yuba, Colusa, and Nevada, by supporting the voluntary transfer to LCHC to RHA.

Sincerely,

Brad Rassmussen
Chair, Lake County Housing Commission

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