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## County of Sacramento

June 5, 2025

The Honorable Mike McGuire President pro Tempore of the Senate 1021 O Street, Suite 8518 Sacramento, CA 9581 The Honorable Robert Rivas Speaker of the Assembly State Capitol, P.O. Box 942849 Sacramento, CA 94249-0029

Re: Urgent Support for Continued Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Funding

Dear President pro Tempore McGuire and Speaker Rivas:

On behalf of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, we strongly urge you to include \$1 billion in HHAP funding in the 2025–26 State Budget. HHAP has been a critical component of the **County's** efforts to prevent and end homelessness, helping us to realize a 29% reduction in homelessness between 2022 and 2024. Without continued investment through Round 7, cities and counties across California will be forced to scale back or even halt critical programs that prevent and reduce homelessness, reversing successes like we have seen in Sacramento County.

The progress made through HHAP is real as lives have been saved, encampments reduced, and thousands connected to housing and services. Pulling back now would reverse these gains and deepen the crisis on our streets. Additionally, as the Federal Government is pursuing large reductions to social safety net programs, cutting HHAP will only exacerbate the impact on County social service programs as we seek to protect those most vulnerable in our communities.

We urge you to fully fund HHAP and support our counties and cities in addressing California's homelessness crisis.

Respectfully,

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cc: Sacramento County Delegation Chair and Members, Board of Supervisors Audrey Ratajczak, Cruz Strategies