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To: <u>City Council FORWARD</u>
Cc: <u>, City Clerk; Ray Bramson</u>

Subject: Letters from Destination: Home - Items 4.4 and 7.1 on 2/22 Agenda

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Honorable Mayor & City Councilmembers,

Attached are two letters from Destination: Home Chief Operating Officer Ray Bramson offering our enthusiastic support of Item 4.4 (the Memorandum of Understanding with the County of Santa Clara) and Item 7.1 (the Guaranteed Basic Income Pilot) that you will be considering at your Feb. 22 meeting.

We believe both of these items are critically important to our community's efforts to end and prevent homelessness, and we look forward to working with you on both fronts.

Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions or would like to talk about these important issues further.

Thank you, David



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Mayor & City Council City of Mountain View 500 Castro Street Mountain View, CA 94041

Re: Programmatic Memorandum of Understanding Between County of Santa Clara and City of Mountain View (Item 4.4 on the Feb. 22 City Council Agenda)

Honorable Mayor & Councilmembers,

Thank you for your continued commitment to ending homelessness in our community.

Collaboration is key to effectively addressing our region's homelessness crisis and that's why we are so excited to see this proposed partnership between the County of Santa Clara and the City of Mountain View. Through this collaboration, the City of Mountain View will be able to leverage roughly \$80 million in funding from the County to support the production of more desperately-needed affordable housing developments - which we know remains the most important strategy for ending and preventing homelessness in our community.

Destination: Home chose to partner with the City as one of its key partners through our capacity building grant program last year for exactly this type of collaborative and critical work. The City has truly been a leader in advancing solutions to homelessness, and the proposal before you today represents a key step towards achieving the City's bold goal of developing 200-250 permanent supportive housing and rapid rehousing units.

We urge you to adopt the proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the County of Santa Clara and stand ready to assist you in whatever way we can to help ensure these critically-important affordable housing developments move forward as quickly as possible.

Thank you,

Ray Bramson

Chief Operating Officer