

August 20, 2026

Senator Akilah Weber Pierson
1021 O St, Suite 7310
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: Support for SB 344 (Weber Pierson)

Dear Senator Weber Pierson:

On behalf of Circulate Planning & Policy, I am writing in support of SB 344 (Weber Pierson). This bill will create a path for the Midway Rising redevelopment project to move forward in San Diego. This project will provide much-needed housing in a urban San Diego.

Circulate Planning & Policy's mission is to create excellent mobility choices and vibrant, healthy neighborhoods. We advocate for legislation that makes it easier to build more homes and ultimately ensure that more are able to achieve the California dream. As such, we are proud to support and urge the legislature to advance this legislation, which provide an alternate pathway for a housing project that proposes to create 4,250 new homes in San Diego.

San Diego voters have twice voted to move with the project. Despite popular support, this project has faced repeated legal hurdles. This legislation provides a path for the project to move forward following the City of San Diego's review and certification of the project's environmental impact report. Under this legislation, once the City deems the development team's plans for impact mitigation sufficient, builders can move forward with building the new homes San Diego desperately needs.

For these reasons, Circulate Planning & Policy is pleased to support SB 344. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me at agrossman@circulatesd.org with any questions.

Sincerely,



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