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June 2, 2025

Senator Aisha Wahab Chair, Senate Housing Committee 1021 O Street, Room 3330 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Assembly Bill 1061 - OPPOSE

Dear Senator Wahab,

The California Contract Cities Association (CCCA) writes to express our opposition to AB 1061 (Quirk-Silva), which allows for the ministerial approval process established for urban lot splits and duplexes under the provisions of SB 9 (Atkins) to apply to single-family properties within a state or local historic district.

As an organization, CCCA believes municipalities ought to be empowered to participate in the review and planning processes for housing and commercial land-use projects in their jurisdictions. This is especially important when it comes to historic districts, which often play key roles in local economies and are sources of joy for communities. Unfortunately, AB 1061 fails to consider this, as well as the significant work local jurisdictions already put into their housing elements to assess historic preservation and its impacts on development goals. We urge the committee to vote NO on AB 1061, by-right legislation that ultimately reduces cities' local authority over properties in their historic districts.

CCCA represents 80 cities throughout California. For more than 65 years, CCCA's mission has been to advance the benefits of the contracting model and strengthen local control. With collaborative governance as a focal point, CCCA has advanced its mission through education, advocacy, networking, and legislative access to protect and enhance the quality of life for more than 7.5 million residents. As a matter of policy, our organization supports and defends the rights of cities on policy issues pertinent to them. We thank you in advance for your consideration of our opposition to AB 1061.

Yours in service

Marcel Rodarte, Executive Director

CC: Members of the Senate Housing Committee