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April 20, 2023

Honorable Senator Aisha Wahab 1021 O Street, Suite 7330 Sacramento, 95814-4410

Subject: SB 466 (Wahab) Amends Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act

SUPPORT

Dear Senator Wahab:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Peace and Freedom Party of California in support of SB 466.

Because the Peace and Freedom Party supports keeping affordable housing affordable, we support rent control. The Costa-Hawkins Act has limited local rent control measures since the 1990s by permanently exempting all new construction from rent control, exempting all single-family homes and condos (except for condos that have never been owned separately), and requiring vacancy decontrol. With these limitations, rent control can still protect tenants from losing their homes due to rent increases, but it cannot keep the general rent levels in a community affordable. We'd like to see all three provisions repealed or significantly weakened, but we still support SB 466 (as amended on April 12, 2023), which limits the new construction exemption to 15 years.

For these reasons and others, the Peace and Freedom Party supports SB 466. For more information, please contact me at dkadlecek@igc.org.

Sincerely,

Dave Kadlecek

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