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Dear Mayor Gordo and City Council members,

I want to commend you for your support of Accessory Dwelling Units, and for the excellent program created by the Housing Department to encourage affordable ADUs, and urge you to apply for funding for this purpose.

As an organization, we have supported ADU for many years and feel that they provide naturally occurring affordable housing. They especially benefit families who need extra income or want to house family members. The Housing Department's program has gone a step further by incentivizing homeowners who want to build ADUs for those with Section 8 vouchers. This program has deservedly won national recognition.

Because we care about our low-income neighbors, we'd like build an ADU for those on Section 8, but our lot is small so we'd like to build an ADU over our garage. The house next to us is two stories so it wouldn't be out to scale. However, we can't do so because the city has imposed limits that don't make sense to us.

Please consider adjusting the current rules and increase the allowed height from 12 feet to the top plate and 17 feet to the highest ridgeline to 18 feet to the top plate and 20 feet to the highest ridgeline. This minor adjustment increases the height of the ADU by only 3 additional feet. This seems a reasonable adjustment which would help homeowners like us, and not greatly inconvenience neighbors.

Sincerely,

Anthony Manousos

Co-founder of Making Housing and Community Happen,

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