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City Council, City Clerk,

Please find attached comment from Rebuilding Together South Sound on the 1/10 of 1% Sales Tax for Affordable Housing for tonight's City Council meeting.

Thank you,

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March 30, 2021

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Re: 1/10 of 1% Sales Tax for Affordable Housing

Dear Mayor Woodards and City Council Members,

Please accept this letter as our comment and support of the 1/10 of 1% Sales Tax for affordable housing in the City of Tacoma. Working with the Technical Advisory Group of the Affordable Housing Action Strategy, and being a part of the continuum of housing services provided for this community, we support both the Affordable Housing Action Strategy and the sales tax that will fund the creation and operation of additional housing units and the mental and behavioral supports needed for success.

Creating of approximately 160 units each year would make a real difference in providing housing for those that need it most. Providing supports for those individuals will increase the likelihood of them sustaining progress.

We applaud the efforts of the City Council to address affordable housing needs in the City.

Sincerely,

Amy R. Hoyte Executive Director

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From: Sorum, Doris

Sent: Wednesday, March 31, 2021 7:23 AM

To: Jenkins, Jessica

Subject: FW: Proposed Ordinance 28747

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Subject: RE: Proposed Ordinance 28747

Dear Mayor Woodards and City Councilmembers:

Thank you all so very much for your unanimous vote today to pass the 1/10 of one percent sales tax for affordable housing. This income stream will help the City immensely in developing additional strategies for addressing housing needs for the most vulnerable residents.

Thank you for your courage in taking this action.

-- Cynthia Stewart, President

League of Women Voters of Tacoma-Pierce County

From: Cynthia Stewart [mailto:stewdahl@comcast.net]

Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 3:54 PM

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Subject: Proposed Ordinance 28747

Dear Mayor Woodards and City Council Members:

We are not available to attend your Council meeting tomorrow so wanted to provide these comments about Proposed Ordinance 28747, regarding the local option housing tax, in writing. We urge you to adopt the ordinance and implement the tax for the many reasons stated in our letter.

Please do not hesitate to let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Stewart, President

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