



April 20, 2021

Hon. David Chiu, Chair
Assembly Committee on Housing and Community Development
State Capitol Legislative Office Building
1020 N Street, Room 156
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: SUPPORT AB 491 (L. Gonzalez) as introduced 2/8/21

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Livable California, a nonprofit organization of more than 10,000 members that advocates for empowerment of local governments to foster equitable, livable communities and truly affordable housing, **supports SB 491** (L. Gonzalez).

This straightforward, “no-brainer” bill would require developers of mixed-income buildings, after January 1, 2022, to provide the same access to entrances, common areas, and amenities to occupants of the affordable housing units as is provided to occupants of market-rate and above market-rate units. The bill would also prohibit developers of mixed-income multifamily buildings from confining the affordable units to a specific floor or area.

These kinds of bills advance equity and affordability. **Livable California urges support for SB 491.**

Very truly yours,
The Board of Directors of Livable California

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Hall", is written over a horizontal line.

Rick Hall, President
T Keith Gurnee, Member
Carey White, Member
Isaiah Madison, Member