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San Francisco Planning Commission
1650 Mission Street, Suite 400
San Francisco, CA 94103

RE: **Construction of Accessory Dwelling Units in Supervisorial Districts 3 & 8**
Case Numbers 2015-005464PCA and 2015-007459PCA

Dear President Fong, Vice President Wu and Commissioners Antonini, Hillis, Johnson, Moore and Richards:

On behalf of SPUR, thank you for the opportunity to comment on the ordinances allowing the construction of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) in Board of Supervisors Districts 3 and 8.

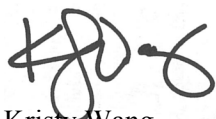
SPUR has long advocated making it easier to build or legalize ADUs in San Francisco. Creating ADUs helps add more homes across the city in a way that does not change existing neighborhood character and has limited impact on neighborhood infrastructure. ADUs also provide a subsidy-free path to provide housing units that are typically "affordable by design" because of their size, location and physical constraints.

This ordinance expands Supervisor Wiener's Castro and seismic retrofitting ADU ordinances to the entirety of Districts 3 and 8, which increases the potential for ADUs to help expand the city's housing supply. We support planning staff's recommended modifications to include the formerly-excluded area around a supervisor's home and create consistency for the allowable number of ADUs per property.

SPUR supports these ordinances and thanks Supervisors Wiener and Christensen for their leadership on this topic.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Best,



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