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Dear Commission,

My name is Allison Henry, I am a tenant in District 3. Some of you may know me from my housing advocacy with Pasadena Tenants Union. I am writing to express my support for having high quality affordable housing built on congregational land. I would support churches in my neighborhood wishing to do this. We need multiple and creative solutions to our housing crisis.

An overlay zone would allow congregations to build affordable housing and increase the odds of Pasadena ending its homelessness and affordable housing crisis. We know that multiple solutions are needed right now and this is just one that will help the city take care of its residents in need of safe and secure shelter.

We know that we are not going to build our way out of this housing crisis. We have vacancies and short-term rentals of entire dwelling units. We need all ideas at the table. We should welcome other options into the housing space so that long-term sustainable and healthy communities thrive. The community and the market are not the same thing. Please support this additional community option.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Allison Henry

Pasadena Tenants Union

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