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November 16, 2020

Mr. Drew Bohan
Executive Director
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street
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RE: City of Los Altos Building Energy Efficiency Standards

Dear Mr. Bohan,

Per the request of California Energy Commission Staff, the City of Los Altos would like to express to you our firm commitment to enforce the 2019 California Energy Code, Title 24, Part 6 of the California Code of Regulations as modified by the changes in the attached Ordinances No. 2020-470A, 2020-470B and 2020-470C. As the Chief Building Official, I will work with my staff to provide training on enforcement of the energy standards and the new requirements for developers to comply. This includes working closely with regional organizations to complete focused trainings on updated energy standards and local codes.

The Environmental Commission and staff presented the reach codes to the Los Altos City Council on September 22, 2020. City Council directed staff to separate the ordinance into three ordinances by specific building types and with certain exceptions. The three ordinances were brought to the City Council on October 27, 2020, for a vote. The City Council approved the draft ordinances on October 27, 2020 and adopted the final ordinances on November 10, 2020.

Additionally, the Council found that the Ordinances are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) and 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines, because there is no possibility that the implementation of the ordinances will have a significant adverse effect on the environment, and because the Ordinances are a regulatory action for the protection of the environment.

The Reach Codes will ensure that residential and non-residential buildings in the City of Los Altos will consume no more energy than permitted by Title 24, Part 6.

Sincerely,

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