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Subject: Sign-On Letter for HELPER Act Markup
To: Linda Cullen <lcullen@commonwealthstrategic.com>

Hello,

I am writing to follow up on my request for your endorsement of the Homes for Every Local Protector, Educator, and Responder (HELPER) Act and your support in moving forward with this crucial legislation.

The HELPER Act would support police and corrections officers, firefighters, EMTs and paramedics, and preK-12 teachers by providing a VA-style home loan program. A HELPER loan would provide 100% financing and eliminate monthly mortgage insurance payments for a first-time home purchase. In addition to making housing more affordable for these public servants, it would serve as an incentive that would help your city recruit and retain these critical workers. This legislation has garnered significant bipartisan support and has the potential to make a substantial difference in our communities.

We are seeking your assistance in urging our congressional leaders to advance the HELPER Act by formally marking it up in committee. We are organizing a sign-on letter addressed to the Chairs and Ranking Members of the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs & the House Financial Services Committee.

Although the HELPER Act did not pass last Congress, we have reintroduced it in both the House and Senate with bipartisan support. If you are willing to endorse the HELPER Act and sign on to the letter, please reply to this email by July 8th.

Thank you!

Best,

Linda Cullen
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