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Dear Commission Streamlining Taskforce Members,

I urge you to revisit the Task Force decision recommending the elimination of the Our City Our Home Oversight Committee.

This Commission should NOT be eliminated, combined, or modified. Keep it as it is.

It was established by the Board of Supervisors on behalf of, and according to, the terms of the voter-approved OCOH Ballot Initiative.

It's purpose and functions are different from the Homelessness Oversight Commission.

The OCOH committee is voter-targeted on the proper use and balanced distribution of the millions of dollars raised by the OCOH Tax Fund.

I urge you to respect the will of San Francisco voters in supporting the terms of the Our City Our Home Fund and its provision for an independent Oversight Committee.

Keep the full 9-member COHO Committee. To reduce the number of members would destroy the balance of the valuable diversity of perspectives -- the assurance that the interests of the homeless will always come first. To merge the Committee would dilute and weaken the ballot-mandated oversight functions.

To eliminate the Committee would be an open invitation to misuse of government funds -- financial corruption, political manipulation, misappropriation and misdirection of funds, as well as a general abuse of power. Oversight of the voter-approved \$300 million program will be weakened, removing stability and constancy for homeless people, allowing politician's to twist and distort the carefully-crafted balance of expenditures into something that, instead of benefitting the homeless, will benefit politician's careers.

To eliminate the OCOH Oversight Committee would be to abandon this large and vital source of revenue to the fickle whims of political winds, rather than the steady

hand of voter-determined oversight.

The administration of good government will NOT be improved by your previous decision to eliminate the OCOH Oversight Committee.

Good government was exactly what the Committee practiced and assured the City. Don't "fix" something by breaking it.

Thank you for your consideration.

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