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Ms. Melanie Fallon, Director of Community Development City of Long Beach 333 West Ocean Blvd, 3rd Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Ms. Fallon:

The Department is pleased to announce the City of Long Beach as a recipient of a Workforce Housing Reward Grant Program (WFH Program) award. Funding for the WFH Program is available pursuant to the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2002 (Proposition 46). The goal of the WFH Program is to encourage new housing affordable to lower-income households and to reward local governments for approving housing projects affordable to lower-income households and the workforce. The WFH Program reflects the Department's commitment to work in partnership with local governments to address California's critical housing and community development needs.

As you know, all local government applicants who approved new affordable housing units and are in compliance with State housing element law, are awarded WFH Program grant funds for use in any local capital improvement projects. Your City's application indicated that the City of Long Beach met the program requirements and has implemented the objective of the WFH Program, approving new housing affordable to lower-income households. The WFH Program recognizes and reinforces the critical linkages between housing and jobs, housing and the economy, and housing and vital, livable communities.

This letter constitutes a conditional commitment of grant funds in the amount of \$227,098. This amount is less than applied for because total requests exceeded the amount available. Pursuant to Section 50544(d) of the Health and Safety Code, if application requests exceed the available funding amount, the per unit incentives must be prorated. The program was oversubscribed by \$15.1 million; therefore the grant amounts for all applications have been adjusted.

Given California's critical housing shortage, the WFH Program also rewards local governments who are on track to meet their Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) goals. We are pleased to award the City of Long Beach \$11,914 in RHNA bonus grant funds for its significant efforts to meet its overall housing needs.

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Staff will be contacting you shortly to initiate the process of preparing the Standard Agreement for fund distribution. Please note no funds may be expended, nor any costs incurred, until a contract is fully executed. Again, congratulations for meeting the program goals of the WFH Program. For further information concerning this award, please contact Leah Northrop at Inorthro@hcd.ca.gov or (916) 323-7271.

Sincerely,

Cathy E. Creswell Deputy Director