Dear Representative NAME:

Thank you for your leadership in our state. I am writing in support of HB 819 to create the Montana community reinvestment act to fund workforce housing

As the TITLE/POSITION of the ORGANIZATION in CITY, I work closely with businesses across our community, and housing remains the number one issue. Businesses are having trouble finding employees due to a lack of housing, working families are struggling to find homes to stay in our community, and our elderly are fighting to afford a safe and healthy home.

This legislation would help address the shortage of affordable homes in our community and provide a pathway to homeownership for our workforce.

The lack of homes has negatively impacted our community’s quality of life and our local economy. This shortfall of existing resources leaves businesses without employees and hard-working Montana families in a bind.

In our community, [Include any housing statistics about your community, stories from the business community on housing impacts on business, and/or impacts to community members personally]

The development of workforce housing programs supports existing jobs, creates immediate and long-term employment opportunities, and increases spending in our local economies. Creating access to more workforce housing allows our employers to attract and retain employees, growing their business and the regional economic competitiveness.

Thank you for your service to our state and consideration of this request. We urge you to vote YES on HB 819 and address the shortage of affordable homes across our state.

Sincerely,

Name, Organization