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Dear Members of the Denver City Council,

As a resident of City Council District 5, I am writing today in strong support of Councilwoman Sawyer's proposed rezoning measure (24-0089) for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in the Bellevue-Hale neighborhood, which will be considered at the full Council meeting scheduled for 5:30 pm today, Monday, April 8th.

I believe that ADUs are a critical component of the BIG puzzle of addressing our city's affordable housing crisis. They make sense as a real and viable option for so many in different circumstances. We should be making the ADU option as easily accessible as we can, to as many folks as possible. This particular re-zoning measure will obviously be just one small part of many necessary steps to address the crisis. However, it is a commonsense proposal, and we cannot afford to leave anything on the table when it comes to expanding opportunities for every person in our community to have access to affordable housing.

I am concerned that an organized group of our neighbors appears to be mounting a challenge to this commonsense measure. (See the attached flyer.) Instead of instigating fear, we all should be joining together to lend our voices in support of the right of every neighbor to have a safe and affordable place to live.

I am aware that any resident can request permission to build an ADU on

their lot. However, the proposed measure would streamline the process and increase the chance that needed ADUs will be constructed.

I urge all Council members to support Councilwoman Sawyer's efforts to proceed with this effort in the Bellevue-Hale neighborhood.

Respectfully,

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