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RE: Lancaster proposes limiting Section 8 housing (April 10, 2009)

Dear Editor:

In your recent article "Lancaster proposes limiting Section 8 housing," staff of my office was quoted as saying that "the county would not support any program specifically targeting the business licenses of potential Section 8 landlords." However, I am writing to clarify that I fully support the City of Lancaster's proposal. The Federal Department of Housing & Urban Development ("HUD") should grant any and all waivers necessary for the program's implementation. Our scarce general fund dollars should not be strained further rooting out illegal activity in a program which HUD does not adequately fund nor police.

Regards,

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Supervisor

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