

May 14, 2018

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Republican Leader
United States Senate
317 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Charles E. Schumer
Democratic Leader
United States Senate
322 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Republican Leader McConnell and Democratic Leader Schumer:

The undersigned organizations are writing to encourage you to take up the nomination of Brian D. Montgomery for Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Commissioner at the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as soon as is possible. These organizations represent a broad spectrum of the housing sector—including both housing and consumer advocates and industry groups—working on the national, state, and local levels.

FHA is the largest insurer of mortgages in the world and is a critically important source of affordable mortgage credit, especially for first-time and low- and moderate-income homebuyers. Competent leadership is needed for such an important agency and Mr. Montgomery's years of experience, most notably his previous term as FHA Commissioner under both the George W. Bush and Obama administrations, make him an excellent candidate for this position.

FHA is facing a number of important challenges, including a badly outdated technology platform, that will require strong and experienced leadership to address. Mr. Montgomery's deep familiarity with FHA will allow him to step and quickly meet these challenges.

We urge you to make Mr. Montgomery's nomination for this important position a top priority and to move for a vote on it as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

National Organizations & HUD Intermediaries

American Escrow Association
American Land Title Association
America's Homeowner Alliance
Asian Real Estate Association of America
BALANCE
Community Home Lenders Association

Consumer Credit and Budget Counseling
Council for Affordable and Rural Housing
Credit.org f/k/a Springboard Nonprofit Consumer Credit Management, Inc.
eHome America
Grounded Solutions Network
Habitat for Humanity International
HomeFree-USA
Homeownership Preservation Foundation
Housing Action Illinois
Housing Partnership Network
Housing Policy Council
Leading Builders for America
Make Room
Manufactured Housing Institute
Minnesota Homeownership Center
Mortgage Bankers Association
National Apartment Association
National Association of Affordable Housing Lenders
National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals
National Association of Home Builders
National Association of Housing Cooperatives
National Association of Neighborhoods
National Association of Real Estate Brokers
National Association of Realtors
National CAPACD - Coalition for Asian Pacific American Community Development
National Community Reinvestment Coalition
National Community Stabilization Trust
National Council of State Housing Agencies
National Diversity Coalition
National Fair Housing Alliance
National Foundation for Credit Counseling
National Housing Conference
National Housing Resource Center
National Leased Housing Association
National Multifamily Housing Council
Nationwide Mortgage Collaborative
Navicore Solutions
New York Mortgage Coalition
NID Housing Counseling Agency
Real Estate Services Providers Council, Inc.
Safeguard Credit Counseling
Stewards of Affordable Housing for the Future
The Realty Alliance
Up for Growth National Coalition
U.S. Mortgage Insurers

State and Local Organizations	City	State
Alabama		
Community Service Programs of West AL	Tuscaloosa	AL
Arizona		
Chicanos Por La Causa	Statewide	
Housing America Corp.	Statewide	
Take Charge America	Phoenix	AZ
Trellis	Phoenix	AZ
Newtown Community Development Corporation	Tempe	AZ
Family Housing Resources	Tucson	AZ
Arkansas		
IN Affordable Housing Inc.	Statewide	
California		
Ventura County Community Development Corporation	Statewide	
Haven Neighborhood Services	Los Angeles	CA
Sand Hill Econometrics	Menlo Park	CA
Community Housing Development Corporation	Richmond	CA
Lutheran Social Services of Southern California	San Bernardino	CA
CCBHC, A Public Benefit NonProfit	Santa Ana	CA
Connecticut		
Bridgeport Neighborhood Trust	Statewide	
Delaware		
Neighborhood House Inc.	Statewide	DE
District of Columbia		
Elliott & Sugarman	Washington	DC
Florida		
Credit Card Management Services	Statewide	
Debthelper.com	Statewide	
Housing and Education Alliance	Statewide	
Trinity Empowerment Consortium Inc.	Miami	FL
St. Petersburg Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc. dba Neighborhood Home Solutions	St. Petersburg	FL
Georgia		
Morningstar Urban Development Inc.	Statewide	
SUMMECH CDC	Atlanta	GA

Green Forest CDC	Decatur	GA
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Illinois

Housing Action Illinois	Statewide	
AGORA Community Services Corp	Chicago	IL
Genesis Housing Development Corporation	Chicago	IL
NHS of Chicago	Chicago	IL
Northwest Side Housing Center	Chicago	IL
Spanish Coalition or Housing	Chicago	IL
Chicago Urban League	Chicago	IL
South Suburban Housing Center	Homewood	IL
Oak Park Regional Housing Center	Oak Park	IL
Universal Housing Solutions CDC	Oak Park	IL

Indiana

Fort Wayne Urban League	Fort Wayne	IN
Pathfinder Services, Inc.	Huntington	IN
HomesteadCS	Lafayette	IN

Iowa

Horizons A Family Service Alliance	Cedar Rapids	IA
CCCS of Northeastern Iowa	Waterloo	IA

Kentucky

Community Ventures	Statewide	
Louisville Urban League	Statewide	
KCEOC Community Action Partnership	Barbourville	KY
Beattyville Housing	Beattyville	KY
mPactPro	Lexington	KY

Louisiana

Desire Community Housing Corp	New Orleans	LA
Family Resources of New Orleans	New Orleans	LA
Neighborhood Development Foundation	New Orleans	LA

Maine

Penquis	Statewide	
Coastal Enterprises, Inc.	Statewide	

Maryland

Asian-American Homeownership Counseling, Inc.	Statewide	
Baltimore Neighborhoods, Inc.	Statewide	
Community Development Network of Maryland	Statewide	
Guidewell Financial Solutions	Statewide	
Housing Options & Planning Enterprises	Statewide	

JM Freeman Enterprise LLC	Statewide	
Eastside Community Development Corporation	Baltimore	MD
Garwyn Oaks Northwest Housing Resource Center	Baltimore	MD
St. Ambrose Housing Aid Center	Baltimore	MD
The Development Corporation	Baltimore	MD
Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna	Bel Air	MD
Delmarva Community Services, Inc.	Cambridge	MD
Community Legal Services of Prince George's County, Inc.	Greenbelt	MD
The Hagerstown Home Store	Hagerstown	MD
Center of Assistance to the Family	Riverdale	MD
HomeFree-USA	Riverdale	MD

Massachusetts

Cambridge Credit Counseling	Statewide	
Lawrence CommunityWorks	Lawrence	MA
Berkshire County Regional Housing Authority	Pittsfield	MA

Minnesota

Minnesota Homeownership Center	Statewide	
Anoka County Community Action Program	Blaine	MN
Washington County CDA	Woodbury	MN

Mississippi

North Delta MS Enterprise Community Dev. Org	Sardis	MS
Covenant Faith Outreach Min./dba/ CovenantCDC	Tupelo	MS

Missouri

Greater KC Housing Information Center	Kansas City	MO
Beyond Housing	St Louis	MO

Montana

NeighborWorks Montana	Statewide	
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Nebraska

Family Housing Advisory Services	Omaha	NE
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Nevada

Nevada Partners, Inc.	North Las Vegas	NV
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New Jersey

Fair Housing Council of Northern NJ	Statewide	NJ
New Jersey Community Capital	Statewide	NJ
Ek Sattler Associates, LLC	Newark	NJ

La Casa de Don Pedro	Newark	NJ
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New York

Center for NYC Neighborhoods	Statewide	
Empire Justice Center	Statewide	
HomeSmart NY	Statewide	
NeighborWorks Alliance of NYS	Statewide	
New York Mortgage Coalition	Statewide	
MHANY Management, Inc.	Brooklyn	NY
Buffalo Urban League	Buffalo	NY
La Fuerza Unida, Inc.	Glen Cove	NY
RUPCO	Kingston	NY
Neighborhood Housing Services of New York City, Inc.	New York	NY
Keuka Housing Council, Inc.	Penn Yan	NY
The Housing Council at PathStone	Rochester	NY
Rensselaer County Housing Resources, Inc.	Troy	NY
CCCS of Buffalo	West Seneca	NY

North Carolina

Alliance Credit Counseling	Charlotte	NC
Centre for Homeownership & Economic Development Corporation, Inc.	Hillsborough	NC
Cape Fear Regional CDC	Wilmington	NC
Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Forsyth County DBA Financial Pathways of the Piedmont	Winston Salem	NC

Ohio

Asian Services In Action, Inc.	Akron	OH
Another Chance of Ohio	Cleveland	OH
CHN Housing Partners	Cleveland	OH
Empowering and Strengthening Ohio's People	Cleveland	OH
Fair Housing Center for Rights & Research	Cleveland	OH
Neighborhood Housing Services of Greater Cleveland	Cleveland	OH
Homeport	Columbus	OH
Homes on the Hill, CDC	Columbus	OH
City of South Euclid	South Euclid	OH

Oregon

KLCAS	Statewide	
Portland Housing Center	Portland	OR
NEDCO	Springfield	OR

Pennsylvania

Nazareth Housing Services	Pittsburgh	PA
Integra Home Counseling, Inc.	Tannersville	PA

Bucks County Housing Group	Warminster	PA
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Rhode Island

Blackstone Valley Community Action Program	Pawtucket	RI
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South Carolina

Family Services, Inc. DBA Origin SC	Statewide	
SC Association for Community Economic Development	Statewide North	
Increasing HOPE Financial Training Center	Charleston	SC

Tennessee

Good Neighbor Foundation Homeownership Center	Franklin	TN
New Level CDC	Nashville	TN
Residential Resources, Inc.	Nashville	TN

Texas

Housing Channel	Statewide	
Midland CDC	Midland	TX

Utah

Neighborhood Nonprofit Housing Corporation	Statewide	
Utah Housing Corporation	Statewide	

Virginia

Housing Opportunities Made Equal of Virginia	Statewide	
NCCCED	Statewide	
Consumer Mortgage Coalition	Alexandria	VA

Washington

Parkview Services	Statewide	
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West Virginia

HomeOwnership Center, Inc.	Elkins	WV
Safe Housing and Economic Development, Inc.	Welch	WV

Wisconsin

NeighborWorks Blackhawk Region	Beloit	WI
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