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RE: California COVID-19 Rent Relief Program - Options for Round 2 Funds

Attn: Geoffrey Ross, Deputy Director Division of Federal Financial Assistance

Monterey County is grateful for the opportunity to provide this assistance to our residents in need and has received over 4,600 applications, expended over \$2,900,000 and obligated over \$12,000,000 since March 2021 when the emergency rental assistance program launched locally.

Thank you for the continued opportunity to provide rent relief through the California COVID-19 Rent Relief program under the extended critical eviction protections enacted into law through Assembly Bill (AB) 832. The County of Monterey reaffirms its intent to remain in the same option as selected for Round 1 – Option B.

Sincerely,

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