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Dear Ms. Erickson;

I have reviewed the modified text of the proposed regulations on the Affordable Sales Program.

My mother has been living in her home for 45 years now and when she moved in 5 of her six children lived with her. So she has made a beautiful home for her children. One of them is my sister Maria who is disabled. She has been attending a special needs school for almost 30 years now. Mom and Maria are the only ones living in the home now and they have very very close ties, to neighbors, to her church, to volunteer organizations, and to the community as a whole.

Three generations of family have been involved in this community. We know the neighbors, the neighbors children and grandchildren. The neighborhood is a close knit family and they watch over my mother and help her when needed.

My mother is, and has been, an 'active member' of her church these past 45 years. She and my sister have very close spiritual ties to their pastors and their brothers and sisters in Christ. They love my sister Maria very much.

The DEIR report referenced the DRIR report (which was not attached) which denoted that 148 families would be relocated; however, the DRIR did not explain how this was determined. It only listed the elderly, low income and the disabled in the analysis. If these relocation factors are being targeted, then my mother has 3 strikes against her. And if this is true, this would be a real discriminating factor if my mother was not given an opportunity to purchase her home. She has been a tenant in good standing all these 45 years and has probably paid for the house 2 times over.... she keeps a very clean house and has taken care of it as much as possible.

The modified text of the Affordable Sales Program, doesn't really make clear on what happens in the event the owner dies. There is only a lot of legal jargon that is confusing. It's not clear whether family members can inherit the property? I ask this because my sister and I hope to take care of my sister Maria who needs 24-hour care when and if my mother passes. To displace or relocate my sister Maria would traumatize her, especially after a mother's passing.

I am asking that the document states clearly that family members can inherit their parent's property and that they are not restricted to the low income requirements.

Sincerely,


Victoria Sandoval