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The Honorable Sherrod Brown
Chairman
United States Senate Committee on
Banking, Housing, And Urban Affairs
503 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Pat Toomey
Ranking Member
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Banking, Housing, And Urban Affairs
455 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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Dear Chairman Brown and Ranking Member Toomey:

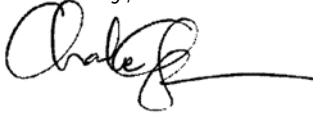
On behalf of the 1.4 million members of the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR), I write to express NAR's strong support for the nomination of Julia Gordon as Assistant Secretary for Housing and Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Commissioner at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

NAR is confident Gordon has the breadth of experience and depth of understanding necessary to handle the complex housing and finance issues this nation faces in the wake of COVID-19. Throughout her time helping to lead the National Community Stabilization Trust, the Federal Housing Finance Agency, the Center for American Progress, and the Center for Responsible Lending, Gordon has shown the ability to handle a wide variety of matters which will await her at FHA. That includes ensuring the continued strength of the Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund, effectively addressing America's persistent racial homeownership gap, and remedying barriers to housing that stem from biased practices and past discrimination, among so many others.

FHA's role in providing safe and affordable housing and mortgage financing to low- and moderate-income individuals and in underserved communities remains essential to America's long-term economic and societal wellbeing, and Gordon's varied roles in both the public and private sectors will be incredibly valuable to that mission.

NAR urges you to support Julia Gordon's for FHA Commissioner and move her nomination to the full Senate for a vote.

Sincerely,



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cc: United States Senate Committee on Banking,
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