

November 20, 2025

The Honorable John Rose 2238 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

RE: Manufactured Housing Institute Support for Housing Supply Expansion Act of 2025

Dear Representative Rose,

On behalf of the Manufactured Housing Institute (MHI) and our members, thank you for introducing the *Housing Supply Expansion Act of 2025*. This legislation, once enacted, will increase housing supply and reduce costs for consumers. Allowing manufactured builders the option to design single family construction code (the HUD Code) homes without a permanent chassis will enable modern, low-profile installations, multi-story designs, and urban-friendly housing while improving efficiency and reducing waste.

The current chassis mandate, rooted in decades-old definitions, limits HUD and the Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee from approving innovative designs. It also adds unnecessary costs for homeowners and serves as a zoning barrier in many communities. Eliminating this requirement aligns with Congress' original intent for the HUD Code: to ensure safety, affordability, and encourage innovation.

MHI represents every segment of the factory-built housing industry, including builders, lenders, retailers, and community owners. Our members produce over 90 percent of all manufactured homes in the U.S., delivering high-quality, attainable housing to thousands of families each year.

Again, we appreciate your leadership on this critical issue for addressing our nation's housing supply needs. We stand with you as you urge Congress to pass the Housing Supply Expansion Act of 2025 to modernize the definition of manufactured housing. MHI looks forward to working with you to advance this important legislation.

Sincerely,

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