



SAMPLE LETTER FOR BOND LEGISLATION SUPPORT

**The Honorable Jane Smith
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Washington, D.C. 20515**

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Dear Representative Smith:

I am writing to urge you to support H.R. 864/S.459, legislation that would increase the private activity bond cap from the current \$50 per capita to \$75 per capita, or a minimum of \$225 million per state.

As you know, the legislation would not only increase the 13-year-old bond cap, it would index it to inflation in future years. Since the program's inception 13 years ago, the bond cap has not once been increased. In turn, inflation has substantially eroded its purchasing power.

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that 8 million low-income families will be in need of quality affordable housing in the next millennium. The private activity bond program has become an important tool to help bridge that gap. Your support of H.R. 864/S.459 will ensure the development of quality affordable housing for the nation's low- to moderate-income families. Thank you for your support.

**Very truly yours,
Novogradac & Company LLP**

**by
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