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The Honorable Maggy Krell  
California State Assembly  
1021 O Street, Suite 5230  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 348 (Krell): Full-Service Partnerships – SUPPORT**

Dear Assemblymember Krell:

On behalf of the City of Sunnyvale, we want to express our support of AB 348, which would establish presumptive eligibility for Full-Service Partnership (FSP) services to ensure that individuals with serious mental illness who are most at risk can access care without unnecessary delays. Under the bill, individuals would qualify for FSP services if they meet specified criteria, including having had two or more psychiatric emergency department visits in the past six months. Establishing priority populations for FSPs would create a consistent, statewide approach to prioritizing access to these intensive behavioral health services.

Hospitals are on the front line of California's mental health and substance use disorder crisis, stabilizing and treating people in hospital emergency departments, behavioral health units of general medical hospitals, and freestanding psychiatric hospitals. Hospitals see firsthand the growing need for behavioral health services and understand that ensuring comprehensive care is available for Californians living with serious mental illness is critical to ensuring a healthy California for all. Hospitals provide short-term, stabilizing treatment during a crisis — but the most effective way to maintain patients' well-being is through ongoing outpatient support and coordinated care. The FSP model has demonstrated considerable benefits. Research published by the RAND Corporation found that patients in these programs experienced fewer psychiatric inpatient admissions, decreased judicial system involvement, and improved housing stability.

Though funding has existed for FSPs for more than two decades, individuals at the highest risk of crisis are too often left without access due to county-by-county variations in eligibility processes and complex administrative hurdles. The BHSA's enactment following passage of Proposition 1 in 2024 means that counties will soon be increasing

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their investments in the FSP model of care. Now is the time to ensure FSPs are available — without hurdles — to the people who need them most throughout the state.

As identified in Priority Advocacy Issues 5(B) and 5(C), City policy supports the expansion of access to supportive services (including behavioral health services offered under FSPs) for unhoused residents. This bill establishes uniform criteria for FSPs to facilitate the expansion of behavioral health treatment options for our most vulnerable residents. In turn, this helps to stabilize residents with serious mental illness and/or substance use disorders and improve their quality of life.

For these reasons, we support AB 348. Thank you for consideration of our position. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Trudi Ryan, Director of Community Development, at [tryan@sunnyvale.ca.gov](mailto:tryan@sunnyvale.ca.gov), if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Mayor

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