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The Honorable Barney Frank United States House of Representatives 2252 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Frank:

On behalf of the National Alliance to End Homelessness (the Alliance), I am writing to offer our strong support for the National Affordable Housing Trust Fund Act of 2007. We at the Alliance are committed to ending homelessness in this country, and the establishment of a National Affordable Housing Trust Fund will make great strides in addressing the root cause of homelessness – the lack of affordable housing.

This nation clearly has an affordable housing crisis, as housing costs continue to rise and more and more Americans are paying a disproportionate share of their income for housing. The most extreme expression of this crisis is people who have no home at all: the approximately 750,000 people who experience homelessness on a given night, living in shelters, abandoned buildings, or on the streets. The Alliance believes this bill is an important step forward in the fight to end homelessness. In particular, we are appreciative that this bill targets extremely low income households and people whose incomes qualify them for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits.

We are most grateful for your leadership on this issue and for your unwavering commitment to the housing needs of the lowest income Americans. The Alliance looks forward to working with you to pass the National Affordable Housing Trust Fund Act of 2007.

Sincerely,

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