



P.O. Box 600904, San Diego CA 92160

March 25, 2025

Mayor Todd Gloria  
202 C Street  
San Diego, CA 92101

RE: Building Moratorium in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones (VHFHSZ)

Dear Mayor Gloria;

At its November 18, 2024 meeting the Kensington Talmadge Planning Group voted 10-1 to support the Community Planners Committee's call for a moratorium on development in Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones that is more than double the current density on the lot.

Double the density still allows for significant development, but protects against the 10x – 20x density increases we are seeing on sites that are prone to fire, often difficult to access by firefighting equipment, and which have no realistic evacuation plan. Additionally, there is no evidence that recommended firefighting infrastructure, such as fire hydrant density, is being improved coincident with new development.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully yours,

David K. Moty  
Chair, Kensington Talmadge Planning Group

cc: Council Member Sean Elo-Rivera  
Andrea Schlageter, Chair, Community Planners Committee  
Fatima Maciel, Community Representative, Mayor's Office  
Sara Al-Agha, Community Representative, Council District 9