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To: [City Council \(San Mateo\)](#)
Subject: Please include multi-family residential building projects to the GHG reducing building codes
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Honorable Mayor and City Council Members,

I am writing to **thank you for your leadership** in pursuing the County & PCE initiative to adopt building "Reach Codes" -- an inspiring and impactful climate action San Mateo can take this year.

With an ultimate goal of carbon free structures, Reach Codes make our buildings **safer, healthier, cheaper, & cleaner** (zero global warming impact). And they **future proof against costly transitions from natural gas** when it is eventually phased out.

*** However, as a resident, **I am very concerned that San Mateo's direction is to initially exclude multi-family residential** from Reach Codes. This would be a huge disappointment given upcoming high growth in this sector and its global warming impact. Furthermore, no other city, to my knowledge, is taking this direction to initially exclude multi-family residential.

As an active supporter of many groups focused on greenhouse gas emissions, I know I'm not alone in this concern. You'll likely hear from other 'green' community members in coming weeks. We care so much about future generations and are deeply dedicated to long term happy & healthy living.

*** Therefore, I urge you to **include multi-family residential in San Mateo's Reach Code adoption!!!**

Can I count on you to make this important change to your Reach Code direction?

Please let me know,

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