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**Legislative Council**  
**State Capitol**  
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**Subject: Letter of Support for Housing Bill 1362**

ND Legislative Council,

I am writing to express my strong support for Housing Bill 1362, which seeks funding for new home construction across the state. As a real estate professional and community advocate, I understand the urgent need to address the ongoing housing shortages that impact our residents, workforce, and economic growth.

Investing in new home construction will provide essential housing for families, support local businesses, and strengthen our economy by attracting and retaining workers in our communities. With increasing demand and limited availability, this bill is critical to ensuring sustainable development and long-term prosperity.

I urge legislators to support this initiative and prioritize the housing needs of our state. The time to act is now, and I appreciate your leadership in advancing this crucial legislation.

Sincerely,

Westen Houle  
Housing Board Representative – Representing Oil and Gas sector  
Weatherford International