



To: Mr. Harold R. "Trey" Price, Executive Director Florida Housing Finance Corporation

Cc: Ms. Marisa Button, Director of Multifamily Development Programs  
Mr. Bill Aldinger, Director of Policy & Special Programs

From: Mr. Andrew Sewnauth, Executive Director, CDS Monarch  
Ms. Paula Rhodes, President, Invictus Development Inc.  
Major General Robert W. Mixon, Jr. (USA retired), Owner Level Five Associates Inc.

Re: Designation of Florida Affordable Veteran Housing as High Priority

Date: April 6, 2022

Dear Mr. Price,

Thank you for your ongoing support and advocacy for Veteran services in the state of Florida. As we discussed in an introductory call on January 28, 2022, the need for supportive services and affordable housing remains high for Florida's Veterans and is increasing when considering the following factors: the large population of Veterans residing in Florida (third largest in the nation), the expanding number of Veterans moving to Florida, and the COVID-19 pandemic's effect on mental health. It is expected that the increased potential for armed conflict in Europe (Ukraine) may also lead to additional Veteran housing and related services further increasing demand for what is already in short supply.

CDS Monarch, a 501c (3) non-profit providing Veteran support in both New York and Florida, Invictus Development, a Florida-certified woman-owned business enterprise focused on affordable housing, and Level Five Associates, a federally designated Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business in Florida have combined their energies and resources to support these needs. We are asking you to help by designating Veteran housing as a "high priority" in this year's RFA cycle. This would help meet a critical need in Florida for housing and related services for Veterans, their families, and their communities.

With over 1,000,000 veterans currently residing in the I-4 corridor, we urge you to please consider this designation as soon as practicable. If you have any questions, please reach out to us at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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