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House Passes Affordable Housing Measures Enabling Floridians to “Live Local”

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (March 24, 2023) — Today, the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 102, also known as Senate President Passidomo’s “Live Local Act”, passed off the House Floor, providing a comprehensive approach to tackle the affordable housing shortage in Florida.

CS/SB 102 streamlines the development of livable spaces in commercial and mixed-use zoned areas, addressing Florida’s dire need for affordable housing inventory. The measure also provides up to \$150 million in additional funding for the SAIL program and revises the Florida Hometown Heroes down payment assistance program to expand support of essential community workers.

“The affordable housing package passed today by the House introduces innovative new concepts that enable hardworking Floridians to put down roots in the communities they serve. I commend Representative Demi Busatta Cabrera for her passion and tireless work to ensure safe and affordable housing is attainable for all Floridians,” said Speaker Paul Renner (R-Palm Coast). “This groundbreaking legislation is the result of Senate President Kathleen Passidomo’s extraordinary vision to provide Florida’s families, seniors, and workers with a safe and affordable place to live.”

“The ‘Live Local Act’ is a transformational, market-driven combination of policies that provides attainable housing options for Floridians at every income level and stage of life,” said bill sponsor Representative Demi Busatta Cabrera (R-Coral Gables). “As our state continues to grow, we must ensure hardworking Floridians can live near good jobs, schools, hospitals, and other

critical community centers in homes that fit comfortably within their household budgets. I am proud to have sponsored this legislation alongside Senator Alexis Calatayud and am grateful for the leadership of both Speaker Renner and President Passidomo in prioritizing the need for a comprehensive fix to the housing affordability crisis in our state.”

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