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Dear Leaders,

On behalf of our member municipalities, I write in support of the Whole Home Repairs Act housed in Senate Bill 1135. As you know, this legislation has bipartisan support and we encourage you to pass the legislation and provide funding for the Program in the 2022-23 budget.

The League supports the Whole Home Repairs Act because it offers a significant and comprehensive approach to the myriad of home repair needs facing Pennsylvania residents. The legislation will address and alleviate a number of housing and quality of life issues our members and their residents face -- including safe, habitable housing; stable neighborhoods; energy efficiency upgrades to older homes; blight remediation; and the creation of workforce development opportunities.

We also support the thoughtful approach the legislation takes in working within the current county structure of existing home repair programs. This will ensure that valuable resources are coordinated and used most efficiently. Utilizing an existing program structure also allows for quick disbursement of funds.

The League believes this historic investment in the Commonwealth's residents and their housing will produce great dividends for all communities. Again, we encourage you as leaders to move this legislation to the Governor's desk and include sufficient funds in next year's budget.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy Sturges". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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