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May 15, 2018

The Honorable Benjamin S. Carson
Secretary
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
451 7th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20410

Dear Dr. Carson:

I am writing to offer my strong endorsement of Glen Holmes to serve as a member of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Housing Counseling Federal Advisory Committee (HCFAC). Glen's expertise in homeownership and financing, combined with his professional experience directing a HUD-approved housing counseling agency, makes him a uniquely qualified candidate for HCFAC membership.

Glen has had a successful career in managing both private and public sector organizations dedicated to serving communities and developing strategies to improve systems. In his current role as President of Community Concepts Finance Corporation, based in Paris, Maine, Glen oversees daily operations of this multimillion-dollar nonprofit that provides resources and counseling in homeownership, entrepreneurship, business growth, and economic development.

Growing up and now working in Maine, Glen has a deep understanding of the challenges that low-income individuals and families in my state face in obtaining stable housing. His breadth of knowledge in housing and his commitment to fiscal responsibility would add valuable perspective to the advisory committee as it works to improve people's housing prospects across the country.

I have known Glen for many years and can attest to his skills and genuine passion for helping people achieve self-sufficiency and strengthening relevant programs. I am pleased to recommend him for membership, and encourage your careful consideration of his candidacy. Please contact me directly or have your staff call my Chief of Staff, Steve Abbott, at [REDACTED] should you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator