

**UPDATED 10/29/25 – ADDITION OF BILL NUMBER**

**Resolution in Support of the HB 1687**

**Whereas**, social housing is an internationally proven model that provides local governments with a powerful tool for addressing housing affordability and displacement;

**Whereas**, the 37th District Democratic party organization voted to endorse both I-135 to create a Seattle Social Housing Developer and I-137 (later Prop 1A) to fund it;

**Whereas**, The Housing Cooperation Law (chapter 35.83 RCW) grants broad flexibility to housing authorities such as Seattle and King County Housing Authorities that allows them to enter into agreements with cities and other state bodies to wave regulatory restrictions on their housing projects to enable them to deliver publicly owned housing more quickly and at lower cost;

**Whereas**, HB 1687 would amend the Housing Cooperation Law to grant this same broad flexibility to municipal housing authorities, such as the Seattle Social Housing Developer, throughout Washington state, reducing the cost and timeline of delivering desperately needed permanently affordable housing;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** The 37th District Democratic party organization officially supports the passage of HB 1687 in the 2026 legislative session; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** The 37th District Democratic party organization calls upon our elected officials to support this legislation and sign on as co-sponsors.