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The Honorable Tim Scott
Chairman
Committee on Banking, Housing,
& Urban Affairs
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Elizabeth Warren
Ranking Member
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& Urban Affairs
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Dear Chairman Scott and Ranking Member Warren:

On behalf of ICBA and the nearly 45,000 community bank branches we represent nationwide, I write to thank you for scheduling a hearing for Bill Pulte's nomination to be Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency. ICBA is pleased to support Bill Pulte's confirmation.

Mr. Pulte is deeply experienced in the housing and housing finance industries and qualified to serve as Director. ICBA has a long history of working closely with the FHFA to preserve and expand community bank access to Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and the Federal Home Loan Banks. Equitable access to these government sponsored enterprises is critical to supporting our nations' growing housing needs.

Mr. Pulte is CEO of Pulte Capital Partners, a housing-focused investment firm operating in multiple states. He was a Director at Pulte Homes, one of the nation's largest homebuilders. Further, he founded the non-profit Blight Authority, which has revitalized residential neighborhoods in Pontiac and Detroit, Michigan, St. Louis, Missouri, and other cities. He has amply demonstrated leadership, executive experience, and commitment to urban renewal in these roles. Mr. Pulte's real-world experience would bring strong and effective leadership to the FHFA.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to working closely with Mr. Pulte and the 119th Congress to ensure the success of the agency in supporting community bank mortgage programs.

Sincerely,

/s/

Rebeca Romero Rainey
President & CEO