PETITION OF RESIDENTS REQUESTING THE CITY TO EXERCISE THE POWERS OF A HOUSING AUTHORITY (N.C.G.S. § 157)

To the Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Brevard, North Carolina:

We, the undersigned residents of the City of Brevard, respectfully petition the City Council to take action to exercise the powers and duties of a municipal housing authority pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 157.

1. Affordable, safe, and sanitary housing is essential to the health, safety, and general welfare of the residents of the City of Brevard; and
2. Many residents of our community—including working families, seniors, persons with disabilities, and individuals with low and moderate incomes—face increasing housing cost burdens, limited housing availability, and substandard or overcrowded living conditions; and
3. North Carolina General Statutes § 157-3 recognizes unsafe or unsanitary housing conditions as a public problem and authorizes local governments to address these conditions in furtherance of a valid public purpose; and
4. North Carolina General Statutes § 157-4 expressly authorizes a city, by resolution of its governing body, to determine that such conditions exist and to exercise the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority, without creating a separate public body; and
5. Allowing the City of Brevard to directly exercise housing authority powers would provide a locally accountable, efficient, and coordinated approach to addressing housing needs, leveraging public and private resources, and advancing affordable housing solutions aligned with local priorities.

Now, therefore, we, the undersigned residents of the City of Brevard, respectfully request that the City Council:

1. Adopt a resolution finding that there is a lack of safe or sanitary dwelling accommodations in the city and surrounding area within the City of Brevard and that there is a need for the City to exercise the powers of a housing authority, pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 157-4; and
2. Elect for the City to exercise all powers, duties, and responsibilities of a housing authority as authorized under Chapter 157 of the North Carolina General Statutes; and
3. Direct City staff to take the necessary administrative, organizational, and planning steps to implement these powers in a transparent and effective manner for the benefit of City residents.

We submit this petition in good faith and respectfully urge the City Council to act in the best interests of the community by advancing policies and programs that promote housing affordability, stability, and the elimination of unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions.

PETITION SIGNATURES

NAME	SIGNATURE	ADDRESS	DATE
Stephanie Holland	Stephanie Holland	194 Lakeview Ave	12/15/25
Katherine Poe	Katherine Poe	90 Aiken St	12/15/25
Rebecca McCann		155 McMinn Ave	12/15/25
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John Sgrai	John Sgrai	227 East View Dr	12/15/25
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DAVID BRADLEY		60 BUNGALOW WAY	12-15-25
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Valerie Berry	Valri B	108 Meadow Ln	12/15/25
Craig Budzinski		79 OVERLOOK DR	12/15/25
Calvin Brown		196 Greenville Highway	12/15/25
Christopher Alquizo		599 Pisgah Dr	12/15/25
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Jane Holland		194 Lakeview Ave	12/15/25
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Megan Sotirakopulos	Megan	240 Maple Street	12/16/25
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