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*CalHFA welcomes Frederick White to the Board of Directors and congratulates AnaMarie Avila Farias on her reappointment*

**SACRAMENTO, February 4, 2019** — The California Housing Finance Agency is pleased to announce that Governor Gavin Newsom has appointed Frederick P. White to the Board of Directors and reappointed member AnaMarie Avila Farias for a second term.

Frederick White joins the Board as a Housing Capital Advisor for the City of Los Angeles Office of City Homelessness Initiatives, where he has served since 2019. From 2017 to 2019, White was Vice President and Senior Portfolio Manager at State Street Bank. From 2016 to 2017, he was a Senior Advisor for the City of Los Angeles, focused on finding alternative funding strategies for affordable housing. From 2002 to 2016, he worked for TIAA, first in New York and later in San Francisco. White earned a M.B.A. in Real Estate from North Carolina Central University.

AnaMarie Avila Farias has served on the CalHFA Board of Directors since 2015. Avila Farias has been Operations Director at Juvenile Hall Auxiliary of Contra Costa County since 2019. She held multiple positions at the Housing Authority of Contra Costa County from 1989 to 2018, including Housing Policy and Program Analyst and Central Waiting List Housing Manager. She was a City Councilmember for the City of Martinez from 2012 to 2016. Avila Farias was Program Manager of the Community Development Block Grant at the City of Concord from 2013 to 2014. She was Senior Management Analyst at Oakland Housing Authority in 2007. Avila Farias was Senior Community Development Specialist for the City and County of San Francisco at the San Francisco Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development from 1998 to 2007. She was Housing Program and Healthcare Policy Facilitator at the Contra Costa County Public Health Services Department from 1997 to 1998. Avila Farias earned a Master of Science degree in Information Systems Management from the University of San Francisco.

"Fred's extensive work in housing finance and real estate, along with his experience at the local level, will add to the diversity and expertise of the Board," said CalHFA Executive Director Tia Boatman Patterson. "I am pleased to see AnaMarie continue in her service to the Board. I look forward to working with both as we continue to navigate the financial challenges many families and small landlords are facing as a result of the pandemic, to address racial equity in housing and to stimulate production with effective financing programs to help more low- and moderate-income Californians find a place to call home."

Both positions require Senate confirmation and pay \$100 per diem.

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