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The Honorable Marcia L. Fudge
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Kamala Harris has fought to protect homeowners and renters her entire career. As Attorney General, she held big banks accountable for their role in the foreclosure crisis and won billions of dollars for California homeowners. As Vice President, she and President Biden helped over 400,000 homeowners at risk of foreclosure during the pandemic. And as President, she will build three million new homes and rentals, limit unfair rent increases, and offer down-payment support for first-time homebuyers.

It's personal. Kamala remembers her mother's pride at buying their first home after saving for 10 years. She knows housing is a human right and a pathway to the middle class. Where you live determines what schools your children go to, what health care you receive, and whether you can get to a good job without spending hours commuting. Where you live too often determines how you live.

Donald Trump has no idea how housing works for everyday Americans. He doesn't care. He started his career being sued for denying housing to Black families. As President, he sat by while the cost of housing skyrocketed. We can hand the keys to our housing policy back to a negligent landlord. Or, we can elect a president who believes in safe, affordable housing—for all.

Let's ensure we have an opportunity economy—by voting for Kamala Harris!

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