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## **ADVOCACY ALERT**

# HB603 Illinois Affordable Housing Tax Credit Program

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### **HB603 - Passed Both Houses!**

*March 11, 2005* - HB603, extending the Illinois Affordable Housing Tax Credit Program for an additional five years, under the leadership of Representative Turner, Currie, Yarbrough, Sullivan, and Davis and Senator Peterson, Martinez, Radogno, Collins, and del Valle, has unanimously passed the Senate (059-000-000).

Your letters and phone calls supporting HB603 made a difference and were instrumental in its passage out of both the Illinois House and Senate.

Two key pieces of affordable housing legislation, HB603-Illinois Affordable Housing Tax Credit Program and SB75-Rental Housing Support Program are now before the Governor. Our new challenge is ensuring that both of these key pieces of affordable housing legislation are signed into law.

#### **Next Steps:**

- 1. Please continue to write letters and make phone calls to Governor Blagojevich urging him to support affordable housing by signing both HB603 and SB75.
- 2. Call and thank the legislative sponsors of HB603 in the Illinois House and Senate for supporting affordable housing:

Rep. Arthur Turner - Barbara Flynn Currie - Karen Yarbrough - Ed Sullivan Jr. - Monique Davis, Mike Bost, William Black, Suzanne Bassi, Jack Franks, Kathleen Ryg, Julie Hamos, Patricia Bellock, Elaine Nekritz, William Davis, William Delgado, Kenneth Dunkin, Deborah Graham, Lou Lang, Harry Osterman, Larry McKeon, Sara Feigenholtz, Annazette Collins, Elizabeth Coulson, Ruth Munson, Rosemary Mulligan, Mike Boland, Calvin Giles, Naomi Jakobsson, Milton Patterson, Wyvetter Younge, Marlow Colvin, Richard Bradley, Lovana Jones, Thomas Holbrook and Angelo Saviano

**Sen. William Peterson - Iris Martinez - Christine Radogno - Jacqueline Collins - Miguel del Valle**, Terry Link, Peter Roskam, Kwame Raoul, Martin Sandoval, M. Maggie Crotty, Rickey Hendon, James Meeks, Mattie Hunter, James Clayborne, Jr., Kimberly Lightford, and Pamela Althoff

Thanks to all of the leaders in government, faith community, organizations, individuals, and housing advocates who made HB603 a priority.

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