

**DECLARATION OF UNITY REGARDING MICRO-HOMES**

**WE, THE UNDERSIGNED**, declare our agreement on a fundamental principle: that every person should have an opportunity to own a home. Yet here in New Jersey – the most densely populated of the 50 States – the high price of land, combined with the high cost of construction, has rendered home ownership an impossibility for much of the population. This, in turn, has exacerbated the widespread problem of homelessness in the Garden State.

We therefore sign this Declaration of Unity, to pledge our strong support for a common-sense solution: very small but also affordable and decent homes, often known as “micro-homes.” Throughout the country, micro-homes have become a reality, housing large numbers of men, women and children. The time has come for us to make this happen in New Jersey as well.

By signing below, we urge every level of our government – municipal, county and state –and everyone person and entity in New Jersey to support and facilitate the building of micro-homes, through:

- Zoning ordinances and practices that are inclusive, not exclusionary;
- Financing for micro-homes that is affordable for every hard-working family in New Jersey; and
- Statutes and court decisions that recognizes the basic human right to housing, regardless of economic status.

We will not rest until micro-housing in New Jersey is a reality.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ **NJ COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jeffrey Wild, Executive Director

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ **BUILDING A TINY LIFE**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Co-founders Sharon Hurley & Leanne Stephens

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_ **NJ TINY HOUSE ADVOCATE**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature