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**Dear Colleagues:**

It is with great mixed emotion today that I announce changes in the Office of Multifamily Housing's Leadership. Marie Head has informed me she needs to step out of the role of Multifamily Deputy Assistant Secretary to focus more time on a family medical issue. I am pleased however, that she has agreed to continue to lead the implementation of the Multifamily Transformation – the platform that will change the operating model and consolidate offices. The Multifamily Transformation is, and will continue to remain one of the Department's highest priorities.

I am very pleased to announce that Ben Metcalf will become the Multifamily Deputy Assistant Secretary. Prior to joining HUD, Ben worked at BRIDGE Housing Corporation, the largest non-profit developer of affordable, mixed-income and mixed-use developments in California. BRIDGE is a hybrid organization blending the best of business practices and entrepreneurial ideas with a mission to create affordable homes and apartments. At BRIDGE, he personally directed the development of a number of high profile award-winning mixed-use and mixed-income projects.

Ben has been directly supporting HUD for the past three years, most recently as a Senior Advisor, working exhaustively with a range of stakeholders and practitioners to inform the implementation of major policy initiatives launched during the first term.

Please join me in thanking Marie, who filled the Deputy Assistant Secretary position so wonderfully for the last year and a half. Her accomplishments include launching the Low Income Housing Tax Credit pilot program and the Rental Assistance Demonstration, as well as implementing the *Sustaining our Investments* program. Marie's commitment to ensuring that we deliver on our goals of making the organization more effective and responsive has been unparalleled.

Please join me in congratulating and welcoming Ben as the Multifamily Deputy Assistant Secretary.

Thank you for your support,

Carol Galante  
Assistant Secretary – FHA Commissioner