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**DATE:** March 14, 2008

**TO:** Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

**FROM:** S.D. Gonzalez, Housing Director *SDG*  
Housing Department

**SUBJECT:** Applications for Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Oxnard authorize the Housing Director to accept and process all applications received until 5:00 p.m. on March 28, 2008, for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program.

**DISCUSSION**

On January 10, 2008, the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Oxnard authorized the Housing Director to open its Section 8 wait list for thirty (30) days or until 2000 applications were taken, whichever occurred first. Our wait list opened February 27, 2008. Due to the high response from the public and the need in the community, we reached the 2000 applications benchmark on March 11, 2008.

Because so many applications were received in such a short time period, staff decided not to turn applicants away after the 2000 applications were received. To date, the eligibility office has received approximately 2020 applications for housing assistance. Staff is requesting permission to process applications that exceed the 2000 that were previously authorized, and to continue taking applications until March 28, 2008. Staff has issued a notice which gives the date when the acceptance of application will cease.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

It is anticipated that the cost of the continued acceptance of applications until March 28 will have no financial impact. All printing and advertising costs were covered under the action approved January 10 for the opening of applications.