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Mr. Lloyd Jordon
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Washington, DC 20001

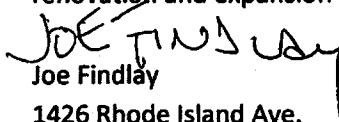
Dear Mr. Jordon,

I am pleased to submit this letter to the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) to offer my support for the Helix Hotel's proposed renovation and expansion project.

Since moving to the adjacent 1426 Rhode Island Avenue Condominium Association in 2007, the Helix Hotel has repeatedly proven itself to be an asset both to the neighborhood and to the city. I've passed the hotel as it has hosted weddings, graduations, inaugural parties, and school groups. At all times, the hotel management and staff has been an active partner with its neighbors and guests to run a hotel that fits well into its largely residential street. Since the Helix has decided to renovate and expand, the hotel's management and owners have worked with us to listen to our concerns about the proposed design and construction work. We are pleased with the hotel's ideas for its renovation and expansion and look forward to an improved hotel as a fixture in our neighborhood.

While we are aware that the forthcoming construction will entail noise and disruptions (particularly involving the alleyway behind our building), I am confident that the Helix will work to minimize any inconveniences. As it stands, the hotel's daily operations (such as linen delivery or trash pick-up) have always been well-managed to minimize disturbance to its many neighbors.

I am enthusiastic about the Helix's plans for its property and urge the BZA to approve the hotel's renovation and expansion project.


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