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M. Carol Mitten, Chairperson
D.C. Zoning Commission
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Dear Ms. Mitten:

The Eastgate Redevelopment Associates (ERA), a grass-roots community development corporation formed to participate the HOPE VI redevelopment process, wishes to advise you of its support for the senior building proposed on the Stoddert Terrace site, between Ridge Rd., Anacostia Rd., and B St., SE, part of the Eastgate Gardens HOPE VI Revitalization Grant awarded in July 2004.

ERA understands that the building will contain 100 one-bedroom units, reserved exclusively for seniors 62 years of age and older who are capable of independent living and eligible for D.C. Housing Authority public housing assistance. It will be a three-story brick building designed very similar to drawings presented to the community over the past several months.

This building will help meet a critical area need, given the shortage of high quality housing for low income seniors. The amenities in the building will add to their quality of life and its design will be consistent with the surrounding area.

Sincerely,

Inita Jackson
President

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