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Chairman Mitten and Members of the DC Zoning Commission:

The Marshall Heights Community Development Organization (MHCDO) is pleased to offer this letter of support for the proposed consolidated Planned Unit Development and related map amendment for the Eastgate Senior Residences located at B Street SE on Square 5409, Lots 22-25.

The new 100-unit senior housing facility will provide much needed affordable housing for the approximately 1,700 low-income elderly residents of Ward 7. In addition, these new units will support the District Government's efforts to serve more low-income families by "freeing up" public housing units currently occupied by seniors.

As a member of the Eastgate Steering Committee and the developer of single-family homes adjacent to the senior housing site, MHCDO commends the developer team for its efforts to seek community input on this project. After meetings with the Fort Dupont Civic Association, ANC 7A, MHCDO Board of Directors, and Dupont Commons Homeowners Association, the developer team has created a site plan and building design that fit well into the surrounding environment.

The Eastgate Senior Residences will be an attractive addition to the neighborhood and a significant asset to the entire Ward 7 community.

Sincerely,

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