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Mr. Anthony Hood, Chairman
District of Columbia Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

Re: ZC Case No. 09-03 – Skyland Holdings, LLC
Proposed Redevelopment of the Skyland Shopping Center – PUD and Zoning
Map Amendment

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Dear Chairman Hood:

The goal of this letter is to express my support for the application of Skyland Holdings LLC ("Skyland") for a consolidated Planned Unit Development and corresponding Zoning Map Amendment. Skyland plans to develop a mixed-use pedestrian-oriented town center providing significant amounts of retail, residential, and outdoor space on the site of the existing Skyland Shopping Center.

I believe that the many retail options that will be offered in this project will benefit the economic base of both the surrounding neighborhood and the District as a whole. These retailers will create a significant number of new jobs and the residential units in this project will contribute new attractive housing stock to the District.

As a resident of the Hillcrest community I am proud to note that the Hillcrest Community Civic Association and most if not all my neighbors also supports this project. I appreciate Skyland's efforts to work through issues and possible adverse impacts on the homes of adjacent properties. I commend Skyland for moving forward with this very ambitious project with legal impediments and uncertain economic times. I believe that their faith in the future of this project and the future of this neighborhood will be rewarded when this project is completed.

Sincerely,

Kwame R. Brown

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