



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Executive Office of the Mayor

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development



October 17, 2012

Zoning Commission
Re: Case 12-08
One Judiciary Square
Washington, DC 20001

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Dear Commissioners:

I am writing this letter to support the zoning proposed in Case 12-08. This Zoning applies to the St. Elizabeths East campus, a site whose development is of the highest importance to the economic development and policy goals of my office. St. Elizabeths East is envisioned as a place to diversify the District's economy by expanding our businesses' ability to innovate and market new products while deliberately ensuring that local residents are meaningfully included by co-locating opportunities for education and training. If successful, St. Elizabeths East will be a model for sustainable economic development.

The proposed zoning before you is a reflection of these intentions and is shaped by the master planning process that the District underwent to articulate this opportunity. If adopted, it will allow my office to begin to develop the site into the physical place that is required to support the uses that we envision – a place defined by architectural character, vibrant activity, meaningful interactions, walkability, and rich amenities.

The time for the District to achieve the possibility of St. Elizabeths East is now. Thank you for your consideration in making this project a reality for the residents of this City.

Sincerely,

Victor Hoskins

Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development

ZONING COMMISSION
District of Columbia

CASE NO. 12-08

EXHIBIT NO. 19