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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

BY HAND DELIVERY

D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment
Suite 210
441 4th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: BZA Application of The May Department Stores Company; Variance Requests to Construct an Office Building Adjacent to and Above the Existing Hecht's Department Store Building 719 13th Street, N.W., Lot 810, Square 288 (the "Subject Property")

Dear Members of the Board:

Enclosed please find the following documents in connection with an application requesting variance relief in order to construct an office building adjacent to and above the existing Hecht's Department Store building:

- A completed BZA Form 2 application;
- A letter from The May Department Stores Company, the owner of the Subject Property, authorizing Wilkes Artis, Chartered, to file the application;
- A Building Plat, prepared by the D.C. Surveyor, depicting the proposed building on the Subject Property;
- A Statement of Existing and Intended Use;
- Photographs of the Subject Property;
- A Zoning Self-Certification Form signed by the project architect;
- List of names and mailing addresses of the owners of all property within 200 feet of the Subject Property; and

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- A check for the filing fee in the amount of $1,600.00 for the variance application.

The Subject Property is under contract to Tishman Speyer Properties, Inc. for the construction of the office building. The contract expires at the end of this calendar year, and is contingent upon a number of approvals, including zoning approval for the project. Therefore, we respectfully request that the Board schedule a public hearing on the application at the earliest possible date.

We are prepared to answer any questions or provide such other additional information as you or the staff may require. Thank you for your attention to this application.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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