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Dear Ms. Kress:

On May 1, 2002, AHD, Inc. and Jair Lynch Companies, met with myself and staff to present their proposed plans for the demolition and redevelopment of the Bowling Green Apartments, located at Wilmington Place, 4th Street, 2nd Street and Mississippi Avenue, SE.

The existing Bowling Green property, with its vacant buildings, trash and debris covered fields has been a blight to the community for many years. It has become a haven for crime and a "hide out" for drug dealers to safely peddle their products.

Some of the features in the proposed site plan provide ample off street parking, children's play area and community building for the residents. The townhouse appearance of the buildings, provide each resident with a direct entrance to their apartment from either the street or the parking lot, bringing added security.

The developers have received strong support for the development of the site as a result of meetings with the residents in the neighborhood surrounding the site and ANC Commissioner Virginia Major 8C07.

As Councilmember of Ward Eight, I support this application. The redevelopment will not only remove the "eye sore" in this neighborhood, but also provide decent affordable housing for this community.

Sincerely,

Sandra C. "Sandy" Allen
Councilmember Ward Eight

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