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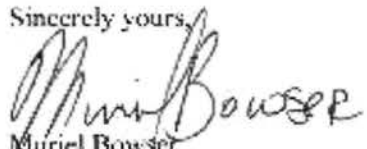
Re: **Jemal's TP Land, LLC**
Request for Two-Year Extension of BZA Order Nos. 17679 and 17679-A

Dear Members of the Board of Zoning Adjustment:

I am pleased to offer this letter in support of Douglas Development's second request for a two-year extension of BZA Order Nos. 17679 and 17679-A. The approvals permit the construction of two 38-unit apartment buildings on the property located at 6923 - 6953 Maple Street, NW and 6916-6926 Willow Street, NW in the District's Takoma neighborhood.

Douglas Development presented its request to ANC 4B at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 22, 2012. After considering the application, including Douglas Development's inability to obtain construction financing prior to August of next year, ANC 4B voted unanimously to support the two year extension request. It should be noted that no persons spoke in opposition to the application at the ANC meeting. Similarly, there were no objections from stakeholders when the application was presented at single member district community meeting on May 14. Finally, Douglas Development has been in communication with the adjacent property owners about the extension application and other matters related to the development of the subject property.

The Board's approval of this application requires waivers from Section 3130.9 and Section 3130.6 of the Zoning Regulations. Granting said waivers will not prejudice the rights of any party and is not otherwise prohibited by law. As such, and given ANC 4B's and other community support for the application, I recommend that the Board grant these waivers and approve the current extension request.

Sincerely yours,

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