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Mr. Anthony J. Hood
Chairperson
District of Columbia Zoning Commission
441 4th St NW
Suite 210-S
Washington, DC 20001

RE: Letter of Support for ZC Case No. 05-28C and No. 05-28E

Dear Chairperson Hood,

I am writing to express my support of the efforts of CityInterests LLC in the development project at Kenilworth-Parkside. For the following reasons, I support this project:

- Residents have identified major issues in their community such as unemployment, lack of educational opportunities, lack of retail and health care options, and an overall lack of investment. These matters led them to rally around the DC Promise Neighborhood Initiative, which was rewarded a \$500,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education as one of 21 Federal Promise Neighborhoods. The plans for Kenilworth-Parkside align with the Promise Neighborhood principles and are critical to the success of this exciting educational and community development initiative.
- Bringing the flagship campus of the Community College of DC to Parkside will offer affordable, post-secondary educational opportunities to area residents of all ages. CCDC will help alleviate unemployment by teaching the skills necessary to find work in today's economy.
- The office buildings facing Kenilworth Avenue will increase the possibility of a major tenant coming to Kenilworth-Parkside. This will, in turn, create more jobs in the community to which

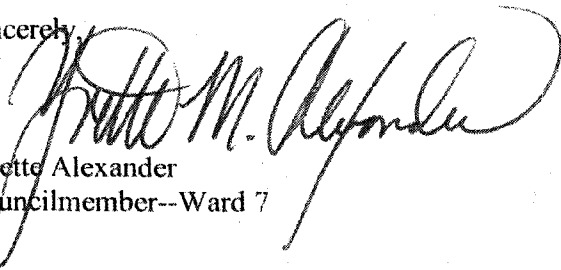
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residents may apply, as well as increase the viability of bringing neighborhood-serving retail to the area.

- A new medical facility at Parkside will bring much-needed primary health care services to all residents, who are currently underserved by health care facilities in their area.
- The daytime activity from the offices, CCDC, and medical facility will contribute to community safety and vitality.

CityInterests's vision for Kenilworth-Parkside is one in which residents will live in a vibrant, dynamic, safe community. For this reason, I would like to voice my support of their Zoning application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yvette M. Alexander", written over a horizontal line.

Yvette Alexander
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