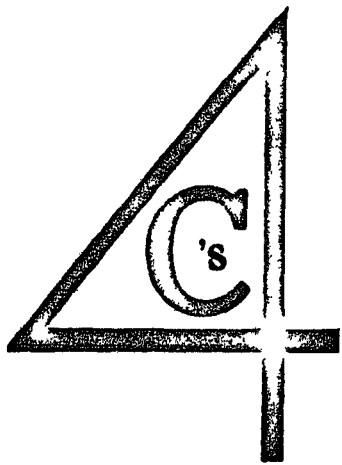


**Exhibit 7**

**Letter from Center City Community Corporation Neighborhood Development  
Center to Mr. Ray Terry, Rogers Memorial Hospital  
December 15, 1971  
from ZC 72-1 official record**



*Center City Community Corporation*  
**NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

1009 NEW JERSEY AVE., N. W.  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20001

628-5727

**EDWARD NESSITT**  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**JAMES T. HUGHES**  
PRESIDENT

December 15, 1971

Mr. Ray V. Terry  
Executive Director  
Rogers Memorial Hospital  
708 Mass. Ave., N. E.  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Terry:

The Neighborhood Development Center Program, administered by the Center City Community Corporation, addresses itself to the basic problem of organizing poor people and their allies to deal with the following problems: Community Organization - No effective on-going community structure to provide the local community with the power and expertise in realizing its goals; Consumer Action - Inadequate protection for the consumer, thereby, resulting in fraudulent merchant practices; Housing - insufficient amount of decent and sanitary housing and a deterioration in the existing housing statues; Education - Lack of qualitative educational curricula for all levels; the non-existence of educational planning councils to recognize and implement suggested recommendations based on educational research projects; and Economic Development, Employment and Health.

The area boundaries are Michigan Ave. on the North; Massachusetts Ave. on the South; 7th St. and New York Ave., N.W. on the West; and 4th St., N.E. (B & O Tracts) on the East.

Most of the staff is composed of community people. Irrespective of income level, all persons in the geographic area served by the Center City Community Corporation (4C's) are potentially eligible to take part in the program. Of the estimated 34,000 families living in the area, approximately one third or 11,000 are believed to be in deep poverty.

Many of the community poor people in dire need of medical attention have found the Rogers Memorial Hospital the only harbor during crisis.

RECEIVED Due to the public hospitals (D. C. General and Freedmens) inability to meet their needs, time and time again community citizens have praised the quick and efficient service rendered them at Rogers Memorial.

Zoning Office, D.C.

*"People Power Through Community Strength"*

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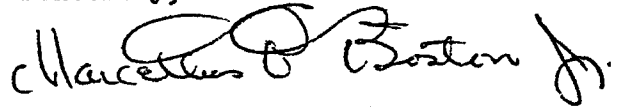
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With the increase of people into the inner city, multiplied by the need of additional health services, it is imperative that established hospitals of the caliber of Rogers Memorial, expand their physical facilities to meet the needs of those financially able to pay as well as to be in a position to continue aiding the poor.

From verbal exchange with community people in the Rogers Memorial area, and dialogue with persons on the periphery, an attempt to gather their attitudes toward the physical change of Rogers Memorial Hospital, has been solicited. The results of these inquiries definitely show a firm "yes" toward the proposed additions.

We of the Center City Community Corporation wholeheartedly support the proposed project of the Rogers Memorial Hospital and will continue to give notice wherever needed as to the fine work being done by the Administration and staff of the Rogers Memorial Hospital.

Sincerely,



Marcellus P. Boston, Jr.  
Deputy Director

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**St. James Church**  
222 EIGHTH STREET NORTHEAST  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20002

The Executive Director and  
the Board of Directors,  
Rogers Memorial Hospital  
708 Mass. Ave. N.E.  
Washington, D. C. 20002

Gentlemen:

The Rector and Vestry of St. James Episcopal Church, located at 222 8th St. N.E. Washington, D.C., hereinafter referred to as "St. James," have been notified by Rogers Memorial Hospital, hereinafter referred to as "Hospital," of the hospital's need to request a special zoning exception with regard to the expansion of the hospital.

It is our opinion that the hospital is a valuable asset to the community and provides vital medical services to the community, to St. James, its members and parishioners.

We understand it to be vital that the hospital be permitted to expand and modernize if it is to continue to provide effective first class medical services to the community.

The proposed addition of a six story wing to the hospital adjacent and to the rear of the St. James property would not be detrimental to the neighborhood as the architecture will be compatible with the existing hospital buildings and other buildings in the immediate vicinity.

The Rector, Vestry and parishioners of St. James strongly support the proposed change in zoning to special type zoning in order to enable the hospital to accomplish the proposed expansion and modernization.

Cordially yours,

*Wm. Lloyd Goodrich*

**ZONING COMMISSION**  
District of Columbia

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Rev. Wm. Lloyd Goodrich  
Rector

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The above proposal was brought to the attention of the Vestry at a meeting held December 19, 1971, the signatures below attest to its approval.

*Giles E. Brown*  
Senior Warden

*Harold A. Gower*  
Junior Warden

THE CAPITOL HILL  
GROUP MINISTRY, INC.

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337 NORTH CAROLINA AVE., S E.  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20003

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January 6, 1972

Mr. Ray V. Terry  
Executive Director  
Rogers Memorial Hospital

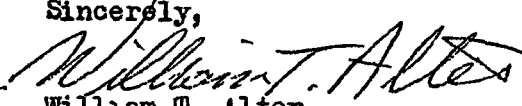
Dear Mr. Terry,

The Capitol Hill Group Ministry, an ecumenical team ministry of 12 churches, supports the zoning change to further the expanded medical needs of the community. Like most medical facilities in our community, Rogers Hospital is over-crowded and in need of immediate space.

Rogers Memorial for many years has been a valuable asset to our neighborhood by providing much needed medical care for all ages.

The Capitol Hill Group Ministry asks the Zoning Commission to look with favor on this request.

Sincerely,

  
William T. Alter  
President of the Board  
Capitol Hill Group Ministry

ZONING COMMISSION  
District of Columbia

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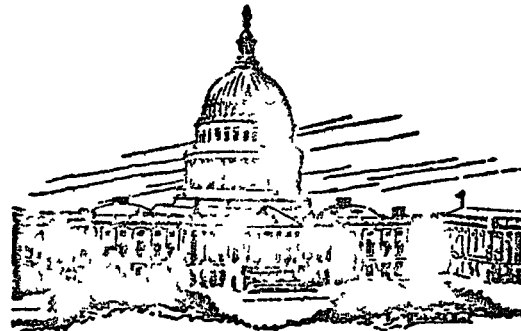
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*Capitol Hill United Methodist Church*

5th & PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, S.E.  
AT 421 SEWARD SQUARE  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20003

Telephones  
Church 547-4554 or 3445  
Parsonage 546-7735

Five Blocks from the Nation's Capitol



December 22, 1971

Mr. Ray Terry, Administrator  
Rogers Memorial Hospital  
8th & Massachusetts Ave., N.E.  
Washington, D. C. 20002

Dear Mr. Terry:

I am writing to congratulate you on the proposal to build an addition to the hospital. As you know, this church is one of the two largest churches on the Hill, and about 70% of our people live within a mile of the building.

As a pastor in the community I have come to appreciate the services the hospital renders as the only private hospital within the area. I appreciate the wide variety of medical services that it provides and the way in which it serves people of all racial, social, and economic backgrounds.

Having served as one of the visiting chaplains in the hospital, I am increasingly aware of the handicaps under which you must operate because of the limited space available. I appreciate the fact that many departments of the hospital must operate in space that is very inadequate and would, therefore, hope that there will be no obstacle to prevent the construction of the proposed addition.

I am confident that the six-story proposed addition would not detract from the community esthetically as there are several buildings near by which have that many floors, and several on Massachusetts Avenue, near the Capitol, go much higher.

While there has not been a meeting of the church's Administrative Board to officially indorse the project, I feel confident that there will be no question about such an endorsement when it does meet after the first of the year. The community is supportive of the hospital and appreciative of the services which you render and I know this church would want your dream to come to fruition.

Sincerely yours,

*James P. Archibald*  
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Minister

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HAROLD SNAPE, Associate Minister  
JOHN P. ADAMS, Associate Minister

JAMES P. ARCHIBALD  
Minister

WM ROBERT JOHNSON, Director of Music  
MILDRED M. NOTT, Church Secretary