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Mr. Eric Price
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The Washington Humane Society



Re: New York Avenue/Arboretum PUD, Zoning Commission Case No. 06-15
Memorandum of Understanding - Washington Humane Society

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Washington, DC 20012
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Dear Mr. Price:

The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge your offer of a monetary contribution of \$25,000 for the Spay/Neuter Clinic of the Washington Human Society and to express our willingness to accept the contribution. This contribution will provide a public benefit by covering the costs of spaying or neutering approximately 1,500 animals and prevent the unwanted births of more than 10,000 animals in the District of Columbia.

Your generous contribution will have a profoundly positive effect on the community near the proposed PUD, and it will enhance the overall quality of the surrounding Arboretum and Ivy City neighborhoods.

The Washington Humane Society strongly supports the proposed PUD. New York Avenue is a major thoroughfare for most people entering the National Capital from the east, but the area is generally unsightly and blighted. This particular parcel contains mostly junkyards, auto repair facilities, and a strip club. The proposed project will replace these eyesores with housing and retail that will bring thousands of residents and shoppers to the area. These additions also will improve the aesthetics of the community. With its tasteful architecture and desirable retail, this distinguished project will attract local residents and passers-by traversing the major nearby streets. The project's height and density will add to the character of the community by establishing the project as a local landmark and community center. All of these improvements will help the Washington Humane Society raise its profile and better fulfill its mission. In short, this highly visible project will be a source of pride for the surrounding Arboretum and Ivy City communities and will have wide-reaching benefits for the District.

We are pleased to accept the contribution and appreciate the Applicant's support of the Society. We understand that this contribution is contingent on the approval of the PUD. We also understand that the contribution will be made only if a building permit is pursued for the PUD.

Sincerely yours,

Howard R. Nelson
Executive Director

cc: Carol Mitten, Chairperson, D.C. Zoning Commission

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District of Columbia

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