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Zoning Commission of the
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Re. ZC 11-03D – Southwest Waterfront, Parcel 5 Minor Modifications

Dear Chairman Hood,

On behalf of the Gangplank Slipholders Association, I am writing in support of the proposed minor modifications to the previously approved plans for the hotel project on Parcel 5 of the Southwest Waterfront redevelopment project.

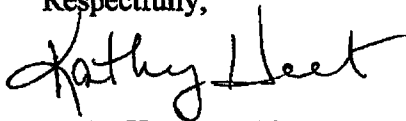
Based on discussions with the Applicant, Wharf 5 Hotel REIT Leaseholder, LLC, I understand that as work on the proposed hotel has advanced the need for minor modifications has arisen to make adjustments to the approved plans in response to specific needs of the future hotel operator(s), or to make improvements to mechanical systems, circulation, architectural detailing, and courtyard amenities. These changes generally include:

- Adjustments to the size and configurations of interior spaces entirely within the building envelop;
- Changes to mechanical systems, rooftop penthouse enclosure materials, and interior courtyard use arrangement; and
- Modifications and a small addition within the elevated interior courtyard.

Based on the information shared by the Applicant, notwithstanding the requested modifications the hotel building remains below the permitted density, and maintains its approved height of 110 feet. Finally, it appears all of the proposed minor modifications will have little or no effect on the exterior as shown on the plans previously approved by the Zoning Commission.

I appreciate the opportunity to provide this letter of support and look forward to continued participation in this exciting project.

Respectfully,



Kathy Heet, President
Gangplank Slipholders Association

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