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January 30, 2015

Mr. Anthony Hood, Chair
Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia
D.C. Office of Zoning
441 Fourth Street, N.W. Suite 210 South
Washington, D.C. 20001

RE: Howard University Campus Master Plan ZC Case 11-15D
Barry Place Partners ZC (PUD) Case 14-21

Dear Chairman Hood:

The Bloomingdale Civic Association (BCA) voted to support the proposed amendment to the Howard University campus master plan in ZC Case 11-15D and the Planned Unit Development (PUD) of the Barry Place Partners development in ZC Case 14-21 at its meeting on Monday, January 26, 2015.

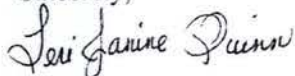
Representatives of Howard University and the Barry Place Partners developers presented details of the project on Monday, September 15th and Monday, January 26, 2015. At both presentations, BCA members were informed that we had an opportunity to review the project by virtue of our having standing in all matters concerning the University's campus master plan, and that an amendment to the master plan was required in order for the project to go forward. We further understood that the uses proposed for this location in the master plan, i.e. workforce affordable housing for faculty, staff and graduate students, are programmed into the PUD in a separate agreement with the University. At neither meeting where the project was presented were there any objections to the University's campus master plan amendments.

When presented with the details of the PUD, the housing affordability and job training provisions of the community benefits package were described as being of greatest importance to the residents living within the civic association boundaries where the project is located. The project exceeds regulatory requirements for the amount and depth of affordability in the housing that will be provided, and we support the constituents of the Pleasant Plains Civic Association, the Georgia Avenue Community Development Task Force and the ANC 1B11 single member district who have reviewed and approved the project. We were also informed that the ANC 1B Design Review Committee supported the project. Finally, because of the concerns raised by the BCA Board, the developer representative agreed to have the PUD be conditioned upon satisfactory compliance with all environmental impact requirements, including those regulating storm water run-off and sewage overflow.

We therefore recommend the Zoning Commission approve ZC Case 11-15D and ZC Case 14-21 conditioned upon the delivery of the benefits and amenities outlined in the PUD application and full compliance with the environmental impact requirements applicable to the project.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

Sincerely,



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