## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 5D SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICT 5D01

## **COMMISSIONER PETA-GAY LEWIS**



June 22, 2014

Anthony J. Hood, Chairman Zoning Commission for the District of Columbia 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 210S Washington, DC 20001

Dear Chairman Hood,

As the Single Member District Commissioner for ANC 5D01, I am personally writing in support of EAJ 1309 5<sup>th</sup> Street, LLC's PUD application to the Zoning Commission for the 1309-1325 5<sup>th</sup> St NE project. I encourage the Zoning Commission to set down the application for a hearing at the Commission, at its earliest opportunity.

The 1309-1325 5<sup>th</sup> St NE project will continue the revitalization of the Union Market District by incorporating additional retail and introducing new office, in addition to possible residential uses. Even more exciting than EDENS planned development above the existing Market building is the prospect of the first full screen movie theater in Ward 5. The project will be another key early step towards the implementation of the Florida Avenue Small Area Plan.

The project will provide job opportunities, introduce a new full screen theater that will be a welcome addition to the community, and provide an activated streetscape that enhances the pedestrian experience and increases safety within 5D. Both EDENS and the community share a common goal for the revitalization of Union Market. The community is both eager and excited for EDENS vision to become reality.

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EDENS has continually worked well with our ANC on new projects and planned developments at Union Market, and has consistently involved the community on all of its projects at an early stage. I am looking forward to similarly working with them on this project.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-683-0158.

Regards,

Peta-Gay Lewis ANC Commissioner 5D01

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