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Anthony Hood Chairman Zoning Commission 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC 20001

Via Email: zcsubmissions@dc.gov

RE: Support Letter Case No. 20-22 Map Amendment to NHR Zone

Chairman Hood and Members of the Commission:

At its regularly scheduled, properly noticed meeting on November 10, 2020, with a quorum of 7 Commissioners virtually present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 8A voted **6-1-0** to support the above-referenced application for a Map Amendment to the Northern Howard Road ("NHR") Zone District. The Commission is excited to see this vacant lot folded into the larger Columbian Quarter development.

The property is adjacent to the Anacostia Metrorail Station parking garage. The proposed density and mixed use is appropriate for a transit site like this one. The Map Amendment's inclusion of affordable housing and enhanced building design, which includes a community design review process, are all important and positive features of the Application. Furthermore, as part of the NHR Zone, the property will provide additional opportunities for jobs and neighborhood-serving retail.

The Commission appreciates the Applicant's efforts to engage the community on the plans for the development, and we support the Application in full. I have appointed Commissioner Ty'on Jones, SMD-8A06 (or his successor), to represent the Commission on this matter.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this letter.

Mr. Troy Donté Prestwood

Chairman

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