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GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 1A

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

December 11, 2024

RE: ZC-24-14 - Map Amendment at 1459 Columbia Road NW

Dear Chair Hood,

At the ANC 1A Housing Justice and Zoning Committee meeting held on November 4, 2024, the applicants for the map amendment at 1459 Columbia Road presented their proposal to rezone the subject site from RA-2 to RA-4. At the meeting the committee voted unanimously to recommend that ANC 1A support the application.

The applicant identified that the goal of the project is to create affordable housing beyond what is required with inclusionary zoning and IZ+ guidelines, aligning with the goals of the committee and the ANC to build more housing and more affordable housing in the neighborhood. Additionally, the commission lauds the applicant's goals to build community space and looks forward to continuing coordination with the applicant.

At the meeting, the committee asked several questions about the planned income levels for the site and how inclusionary zoning laws would impact the proposal. The applicant provided satisfying answers, indicating that they intend to build beyond what is required in IZ+ to build deeply affordable housing. The committee acknowledged that these details would be finalized after approval of the map amendment, but the intentions and history of previous projects indicates that the project would be deeply impactful to our community.

With this in mind, the ANC is in support of this proposal.

ANC 1A supports ZC-24-14 with the condition that they provide a plan displaying the impacts the development will have on the surrounding traffic.

Certification:

On December 11, 2024, at a properly noticed public meeting and with a quorum of Commissioners present, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1A voted to adopt



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this letter and direct its transmittal to the addressed agency. YEAS 8, NAYS 0, AND ABSTENTIONS 0. Max Ewart, Chair of ANC 1A's Housing Justice and Zoning Committee is authorized to communicate these actions to and testify before any agency of the Government of the District of Columbia or the members of the Council of the District of Columbia

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