



May 9, 2025

Zoning Commission  
of the District of Columbia  
441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Ste. 200  
Washington, DC 20001

**Re: ZC Case No. 24-14 – Emory United Methodist Church (“Emory”)  
Letter of Support**

Dear Commissioners:

Please allow this letter to serve as the Community Purchasing Alliance (CPA) Co-op’s letter of support for Emory’s request to rezone their property located at 1459 Columbia Road, NW from the RA-2 zone to the RA-4 zone.

CPA is a member-owned cooperative with its office located at the Festival Center in Adams Morgan. We are owned by houses of worship, schools and non-profits dedicated to leverage buying power to strengthen community institutions and shift spend to locally-owned, BIPOC-owned and woman-owned businesses. We believe in supporting worker equity and environmental sustainability as well as creating economic opportunity for our local community members.

Accordingly, we support Emory’s efforts to rezone their property because doing so would significantly contribute to the overall affordable housing supply in the Columbia Heights neighborhood and would positively impact the neighborhood’s vibrancy. For these reasons, we urge the Zoning Commission to approve Emory’s request to rezone their property from the RA-2 zone to the RA-4 zone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Amy W. Abbott".

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Name: Amy Abbott  
Title: Co-Executive Director