



**TWO RIVERS PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL**

Mr. Anthony Hood  
Chairman  
District of Columbia Zoning Commission  
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**RE: Support of the Armature Works PUD – Zoning Case 16-09**

Dear Chairman Hood and Members of the Zoning Commission:

As the Executive Director of an organization that owns a nearby property, I express my support of the Armature Works PUD application, which was assigned zoning case number 16-09.

My support for the proposed development stems from my belief that the delivery of this development project will prove beneficial to parties that have a stake in the neighborhood.

Specifically, I would like to highlight a few of the positive aspects for your consideration:

- The PUD includes the creation of a new public Metro plaza at the intersection of N Street and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, NE. This Metro plaza will allow for the construction of a new Metro entrance to the NoMa/Gallaudet University Station. The new entrance will provide a pedestrian friendly and aesthetically appealing link to the Metro and additional pedestrian connectivity between the NoMa, Union Market, and H Street neighborhoods.
- Armature Works will include a public plaza on M Street, providing much needed public open space to the neighborhood. Additionally, the proposed plan includes a much enhanced streetscape along M and 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets.
- The PUD includes significant public art opportunities such as the water feature in the M Street plaza, sculpture locations along 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, and a mural at the Metro entrance. Additionally, the proposed PUD includes an arts endowment to help fund future public art projects on the site.

In sum, this project will enhance our neighborhood by bringing new residents, promoting walkability, attracting new retailers, and providing needed community benefits. I hope to see this project approved and under construction soon to further the ongoing development of the NoMa, H Street, and Union Market neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

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