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**Re: Letter in Support of Case No. 17-05**

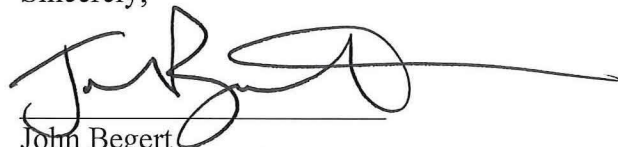
Dear Chairman Hood and Members of the Commission:

As a developer and owner with significant investment in Buzzard Point and very near this proposed project, I support the design review application for 2100 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SW. I think that the project is a positive addition to the growing Buzzard Point community, and it will bring neighborhood serving retail, which this community desperately needs and wants. It will convert an underutilized, vacant office building to a development that will better serve this community.

In addition to bringing much needed retail, the project will also continue the Anacostia Riverwalk trail to its waterfront-end and create appropriate transitions along 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street SW. The waterfront and public space improvements in the project will allow for activities and events in the community that are currently not possible. Whereas the existing office building was, naturally, secluded from the community, the proposed project will make it an active part of the neighborhood.

I welcome this project to the neighborhood and look forward to seeing the revitalized community of Buzzard Point take shape. I ask the Zoning Commission to approve this application.

Sincerely,



John Begert  
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