



## *Randle Highlands Citizens Civic Association*

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To: Office of Zoning  
Zoning Commission for the District of Columbia

From: Randle Highlands Citizens Civic Association

Re: Case No.17-11 (3200 Penn Ave PJV, LLC – Map Amendment @ Square 5539, Lots 835, 383, 839, and 840)

Dear Honorable Members of the Commission,

On behalf of the Randle Highlands Citizens Civic Association – a neighborhood association established in 1995 and representing approximately 2,600 residents of the District of Columbia who reside within Randle Highlands' borders – we would like to express our support for Case No.17-11 (3200 Penn Ave PJV, LLC – Map Amendment @ Square 5539, Lots 835, 383, 839, and 840 submitted by Jair Lynch, owner of the property of reference).

Like several neighborhoods east of the Anacostia River, Randle Highlands lacks many basic amenities – such as grocery stores, restaurants, and gyms – which is forcing residents of Randle Highlands to seek these services outside our neighborhood, and often outside the District of Columbia. This lack of basic amenities is particularly challenging for our elderly and lower-income residents who may not have a car to drive to Maryland or across the John Philip Sousa Bridge to access quality grocery stores and restaurants. Jair Lynch is committed to making these amenities available to several Ward 7 communities, and it will happen within walking distance of Randle Highlands to fill a much needed void in our community.

We have appreciated representatives from Jiar Lynch reaching out to our association leaders to create a pipeline for soliciting feedback from the community and addressing resident questions. We urge the commission to approve Case No.17-11 and allow this project to move forward for the betterment of not only Randle Highlands, but also the several other Ward 7 communities along the Pennsylvania Avenue, S.E. corridor between the Sousa Bridge and Southern Avenue.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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