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## Commissioners,

I write this letter on behalf of the citizens of the Fort Totten Civic Association. As association president, I provide a forum for and a voice to the members of my community. I make this statement, not as an individual, but as an elected representative of my community.

Over the past year we have worked closely with Wesley Housing LLC, regarding the redevelopment of the 1 Hawaii Ave. NE apartment building. Wesley is an organization focused on bringing affordable rental property for low and middle-income working people in urban areas such as a District of Columbia. Our community overwhelmingly supports Wesley's mission and the need for affordable housing in our community. Over the past few months the community has negotiated with Wesley to come up with a building size that the community can support.

Our concerns about parking are in line with many residents of the District that face the challenges of finding on street parking in our neighborhoods. To address this Wesley has increased the number of spaces to be align with the larger family oriented (2 and 3 BR) units.

Wesley has been a responsive partner addressing the needs and desires of the existing residents. As a community we support this development and will continue to partner with Wesley as they move forward with planning, demolition and construction.

Sincerely,

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