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Comprehensive Plan amendments enacted by our Councilmembers that demand more density and more equitable development, this project should be considered a model for appropriate development along all major commercial corridors in the District. If anything, it should add more units.

Lastly, the development team's commitment to constructing a LEED Gold certified building that targets net-zero energy performance is exceptional and will help make progress on the District's climate resiliency goals. This will be the first net-zero arts center in the District and one of an esteemed few nationally.

I strongly support this project's multiple benefits of more housing that is deeply affordable, a new home for an established neighborhood arts organization, support for local businesses in the neighborhood, and exceptional sustainability targets. I encourage the Zoning Commission to approve this request and support this project's potential to contribute to a healthy, inclusive, and thriving community.

Thank you for all your work and service, as well as your consideration of this matter.

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