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Letter of Support for Zoning Map Amendment for 4411 14th Street NW

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Dear Mr. Hood:

February 9, 2022

The ANC 4C Commission, at a duly noticed public meeting, with a quorum of 9 Commissioners present at its February 9, 2022, meeting, voted, with 9 Yeas, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstentions to send this letter of support for the proposed Zoning Map amendment for the property at 4411 14th Street NW (Square 2819, Lot 813) from Mixed Use (MU)-3A to MU-7A.

ANC 4C takes note of the following:

• The membership of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Xi Omega Chapter ("Xi Omega" or the "Chapter) owner of 4411 14th Street since 1981, a property located at Square 2819, Lot 813 which houses their headquarters and community service center building since 1981, seek a Zoning Map amendment to rezone the property from MU-3A to MU-7A.

• Xi Omega was founded in 1923 and has provided almost one hundred years of significant community service to the residents of the District of Columbia. The Chapter has operated their headquarters since 1981. The Chapter membership currently totals more than 500 members, and community service is the cornerstone of their mission.

• Some of the activities of the Chapter include: hosting weekly activities for seniors; hosting health fairs and partnering with local organizations to provide preventive health screenings; awarding more than \$50,000 annually in scholarships to DC high school seniors; hosting college fairs in the community and assisting students with college applications; hosting Women's and Girls' Conferences for the community; donating supply-filled backpacks to elementary students at the Powell Educational Campus; and providing free prom attire for low-income students.

• The Chapter envisions redeveloping the Property into a mixed-use project that includes affordable senior housing units and a new Xi Omega Center. Redevelopment will include: approximately 62 units of affordable senior housing complete with amenities such as a wellness center, 16,000 square foot Xi Omega Center, and parking with entrance off Arkansas Avenue NW.

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ZONING COMMISSION District of Columbia CASE NO.22-12 EXHIBIT NO.3K • The Project supports several framework elements of the amended DC Comprehensive Plan. Specifically, the development plan will help to: address critical affordable housing needs; contribute to the city's goals for an Inclusive City by providing much needed "Aging in Place" housing; fulfill the District's Age-Friendly policies; provide affordable housing in all areas of the District; and continue providing needed community services and programs to District residents, thereby aiding the District's neighborhood outreach goals.

• Previously at its February 12, 2020 meeting, ANC 4C unanimously approved a letter of support for a Future Land Use Map Amendment from Low Density Commercial to Mixed-use Moderate Density Commercial and Moderate Density Residential for this Property, which was subsequently approved. Rezoning the Property to a higher zone district (MU-7A) is consistent with the approved map amendment. For that reason—in addition to the public benefits of the project to the community, and the project fulfilling multiple elements of an amended Comprehensive Plan—ANC 4C supports the Zoning Map Amendment application.

Therefore it is RESOLVED, that it would be in the community's best interest and the District as a whole for the property at 4411 14th Street NW to be redeveloped from an underutilized, antiquated, one story store front building, to an attractive, modern, mixed-use development with affordable senior housing and space for community service.

The Commission also voted with 9 Yeas, 0 Nays, and 0 Abstentions to appoint the Commissioner for Single Member District 4C05, or any member of the Executive Committee in their absence, to be authorized to communicate this resolution and represent ANC 4C before the Office of Zoning related to this matter.

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