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Councilmember Rebecca Noecker
15 Kellogg Blvd
West 310-B City Hall
St. Paul, MN 55102

Re: Sherman Associates West Side Flats Phase III – Affordable Units

Dear Councilmember Noecker:

The members of the West Side Community Organization's (WSCO) Riverfront, Development and Land Use Committee (RDLU) are writing to reiterate our support for Phase III of Sherman Associates' development along the riverfront. On November 21st, we received an update from George Sherman about the building that will hold 82 affordable rental units, as part of Phase III. We appreciated Sherman Associates continued engagement with the community and their commitment to providing affordable rental housing units, along-side market rate units.

In addition, we were delighted to learn about his commitment to building passive housing and developing a solar farm to provide the energy for this Phase of development. We hope that other developers will follow his example.

We know that with pending federal legislation, support for development of affordable rental units is in jeopardy. We encourage the City to move with all deliberate speed to insure that this projects (and others) with affordable units pending, reach closing before tax law changes.

Sincerely,

Monica Bravo
Executive Director/WSCO