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RE: Letter of Support for Res 25-737

Dear HRA Chair Johnson, Council President Noecker, and City Council Members,

We are writing to express our support for the proposed Highland Bridge development items included in Res 25-737, which is scheduled for consideration at both the HRA and City Council meetings on May 14th.

As a non-profit affordable housing development partner and operator of affordable units in two buildings at Highland Bridge, we are profoundly committed to ensuring the original vision of Highland Bridge as a vibrant, mixed-use community with thoughtful integration of affordable housing comes to fruition. An additional 500 units of affordable housing are slated for development at the site, which will only be possible with the availability of Tax Increment Financing generated by further buildout of the planned market rate residential and retail parcels envisioned for the site.

We care deeply about Highland Bridge, as well as the future of the broader neighborhood, and we respectfully urge your support for these important amendments.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Sincerely,

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