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Hon. Libby Garvey, Chair Arlington County Board 2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 300 Arlington, VA 22201

RE: Goodwill Site Plan

Dear Ms. Garvey:

At its February 15, 2024, hybrid public meeting, the Housing Commission considered the Goodwill site plan project. The Commission is overwhelmingly in support of the project. The Commission voted 9-0 to support the staff recommendation and approve the site plan and revitalization resolution. The project adds 128 Committed Affordable Units (CAFs) to the county's affordable housing supply. This includes 94 family sized units, 14 Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) units and units affordable up to 30% and 50% of Area Median Income (AMI).

Commission discussion focused on two main topics. The Commission asked the Applicant questions about pedestrian safety before discussion shifted to questions around ensuring there is a tenant voice at the site. The Commission noted that it appreciates the work AHC has done since the Serrano crisis in 2021 to improve the resident experience and is excited for this new project to move forward.

Thank you for your consideration and support of affordable housing in Arlington.

Sincerely,

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Kellen MacBeth Chair