## ST. HELENA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Mr. Matthew Desantis Baltimore City Government & testimony@baltimorecity.gov January 28, 2024

**RE:** Center Place Extension

Dear Ladies & Gentlemen,

On behalf of the St. Helena Community Association, I am writing to express my strong support for what we've called "The Road to Nowhere'. I understand that it is now officially "The Center Place Extension". The St. Helena Community Association was onboard with this concept over 20 years ago. At that time Mr. Peter Bachelor (Community planner from South Carolina) visited Dundalk Renaissance Corporation. After much planning and consultation with community members... this roadwas was one of many suggestions that were offered to the Dundalk Community as a means of promoting and upgrading our community. Other plans came to fruition, but this one stalled. Effectively we've been advocating for it for over 20 years at this point. In addition to benefitting Dundalk as a whole, we also envision that this will de-rail Port of Baltimore traffic from cutting through our historic neighbourhood. We urge the acquisition of the land parcel in order to accommodate this much needed as well as much desired project.

Kind Regards,

Joseph A. Stadler

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Vice President: St. Helena Community Association