



April 4, 2024

The Honorable Sharon Green-Middleton
Vice President, Baltimore City Council
Council Representative, District 6
Baltimore City Council, City Hall, Room 532
100 N. Holiday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

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Dear Councilwoman Middleton:

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Park Heights Renaissance (PHR) offers its full support for the requested zoning change from R-6 to C-1 being sought for the 3700 block of Towanda Avenue by Gillis Memorial Community Development Corporation for incorporation of a Wellness Center into *The Gillis Memorial GrandFamily Apartments (GFA)*. The Wellness Center, in partnership with the Mount Washington Pediatric Hospital, University of Maryland Medical System would provide much needed primary and pediatric care for residents of this innovative multigenerational housing initiative as well as for the community at large.

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As proposed, this will be the only multigenerational housing specifically for grandparents (sometimes other relatives) caring for minor children without a parent in the home in the Park Heights Community. The GFA will contain approximately fifty, two- and three-bedroom apartments with wrap around support services on site. Easy access to a primary care wellness facility will increase access and participation in preventative healthcare with numerous additional benefits, including but not limited to, continuity of care.

TREASURER
John Muchai, CPA

We are excited to support this unique development opportunity in the Park Circle community that seamlessly aligns with goals in the Park Heights Master Plan. Park Heights Renaissance fully supports this project and the added value to the older adults and their grandchildren who will be positively impacted in the Park Heights Community.

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