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Hon. Christian Dorsey, Chair
Arlington County Board
2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 300
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RE: The Cadence

Dear Mr. Dorsey:

At its December 5, 2019 public hearing, the Citizens Advisory Commission on Housing considered the allocation of \$11,021,000 in County and Federal Funds to Wesley Housing Development Corporation to assist with the development and construction of The Cadence. This item was also presented at the Bricks and Mortar Subcommittee meeting.

The Commission strongly supports this project because all 97 units will be committed affordable for a period of 60 years from the date of the final Certificate of Occupancy, approximately 2082. Of the 97 total units, 10% (10 units) will be constructed to meet Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards and American National Standards Institute Type A requirements. Of those, two units (2%) will be accessible for those with hearing/visual impairments. All common areas will be configured to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act standards. Forty-six units (47%) will be restricted to households earning at or below 50% AMI; eleven units (11%) will be restricted at or below 60% AMI; and forty units (41%) will be restricted to households earning at or below 70% AMI.

The Commission advises the County Board to approve the request for \$11,021,000 in County and Federal Funds to Wesley to assist with the development and construction of The Cadence. The Commission vote on the motion was 7-0-1. Members in favor are Mr. Berkey, Mr. Blank, Ms. Bray, Ms. Edwards, Ms. Hogan, Ms. Norris, and Mr. Sims, with Mr. Browne abstaining.

Thank you for your consideration of this issue. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Holly Bray". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Holly Bray
Chair