

LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL OFFICE OF PRESIDENT DAVID JAMES

April 18, 2018

Louisville Metro Board of Zoning Adjustment 444 South Fifth Street Louisville, KY 40202 RE: Case #18VARIANCE1021 2400-2420 South 4th Street

Dear BOZA Members,

I am writing to you as the 6th District Council Member concerning the proposed student housing development at 2400 South 4th Street. This location is in my district and I am very eager to see this proposed development approved.

I have personally been interested not only in this site but in the area along 4th Street for a number of years. We have helped spur some development, such as the present student housing development across from this location, The Arch, but the neighborhood needs more. I believe this proposed development will be the catalyst to spark the transformation of this area.

The proposed ten story building is compatible with the existing area, which I consider to be a transitional area between the University of Louisville campus and the residential and industrial areas to the west. There are several buildings of similar heights on or near campus. Just to the south, you have large structures, such as Churchill Downs and Papa John's Stadium. Most importantly, the high level of design and architectural elements of the proposed building mitigate any perceived issues with the height.

I support this project as proposed and hope you will approve the proposal as it will create livable and vibrant area that this neighborhood needs so desperately.

Sincerely,

David A. James

President Metro Council

cc: Cliff Ashburner