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Brush Park Development LLC 31000 Northwestern Highway, Suite 110 Farmington Hills, MI 48334

Re: Brush Park CDC Letter of Support – Brush Park Village North Development, John R. and Erskine Streets

Brush Park Community Development Corporation (the "<u>CDC</u>") forwards this letter to show our support of the proposed Village North development at John R. and Erskine Streets (the "<u>Project</u>").

The Project was presented before the CDC and the Brush Park community at a public meeting held in July of 2016. Much consideration was given to the Project by the CDC Board. With a vote of 6 yes, 0 no, and 1 abstention, the CDC Board voted to support the second phase of this Project.

While the general form and housing type is agreeable, the CDC Board still has concerns regarding the "sameness" of the replicated units along the street, coupled with the lack of opportunity for individual residents to add character through porches, window boxes, etc. The relatively small porches and large amount of landscaping in both the existing and proposed schemes seem to make the units' front facades unusable or an after-thought, creating an inactive frontage rather than an active one that would otherwise improve the street with increased natural surveillance, sociability, character, and activity. We look forward to working with your team to address these concerns as the project moves forward.

We thank you for your time and your interest in Brush Park. A copy of this letter will be forwarded to the City of Detroit Planning and Development office.

Sincerely,

Karissa Holmes, Secretary

Cc: City of Detroit Planning & Development Detroit City Council – President Brenda Jones Detroit City Mayor Mike Duggan