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April 24, 2018

Mr. Mobutu Reynolds and Ms. Charlotte Ka

Via email: charlotteka346@gmail.com

RE: 2297 Centre Avenue (MOKA Art Gallery)

Dear Mr. Reynolds and Ms. Ka:

On behalf of the Hill District's Development Review Panel (DRP), we offer this letter of support to you based on the February 2018 submission, March 2018 DRP Presentation, and April 2018 community meeting presentation for the 2297 Centre Avenue (MOKA Art Gallery) development proposal.

The mission of the Hill CDC is to work in partnership with residents and stakeholders to create, promote, and implement strategies and programs that connect plans, policies and people to drive compelling community development opportunities in the Greater Hill District. The Hill CDC is responsible for facilitating the implementation of the Greater Hill District Master Plan, specifically addressing any community concerns regarding redevelopment and economic opportunities in the area. The DRP is a partnership with the Hill House Association, Hill District Education Council (HDEC), Hill District Ministers Alliance (HDMA), and the Center that Cares that streamlines community level review while assuring transparency and sufficient community feedback.

The 2297 Centre Avenue (MOKA Art Gallery) proposal scored a cumulative **93%** at the DRP and community level. This score indicates that the plan sufficiently aligns with the Greater Hill District Master Plan. A few noteworthy comments we received from the community to consider as you move forward with the development are as follows:

- The community is interested in learning more about potential classes and partnerships with the local schools and the art gallery space
- The community would like to also clean up the area around MOKA to beautify the rest of the neighborhood

We ask that any subsequent changes to the scope of your project be shared with the Hill CDC and Development Review Panel at the time that they occur to assure the community remains on the same page throughout your implementation stage.

We wish you the best in your development endeavors. Congratulations!

Sincerely,

Marimba Milliones President and CEO

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