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The Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers, President, Board of Alders  
City of New Haven  
165 Church Street  
New Haven, CT 06510

Re: RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,769,517 FOR ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FLOYD LITTLE ATHLETIC CENTER AT HILLHOUSE HIGH SCHOOL.

Dear President Walker-Myers:

The New Haven Public Schools and the City of New Haven (the “City”) have proposed to undertake the improvement of the Floyd Little Athletic Center (“FLAC”) at Hillhouse High School located at 480 Sherman Parkway. Hillhouse, one of the oldest and largest comprehensive high schools in Connecticut, has a reputation for excellence in academics and athletics. The FLAC, centrally located in New Haven, is a premier destination for competitive activities; the construction of an improved FLAC is intended to transform it into a “best in class” destination for special events and sports, making it more suitable for youth sports, local events, and community building.

This grant award will cover a substantial proportion of the proposed renovation, currently estimated at \$8.8 million. Some of the proposed improvements include a new roof with a reset solar array, a new indoor track surface, bathroom renovations, interior paint work, parking lot and sidewalk repair, and renovations to the main office.

The Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development (“DECD”) offers municipalities funding through its Urban Act Grant Program to address projects like the renovation of the FLAC. The approval of the City’s Board of Alders to apply for and accept grant funds from this source at DECD will allow the City to perform the necessary renovations and assist in the creation of refurbished athletic facilities.

The City’s Economic Development Administration therefore respectfully requests that the City’s Board of Alders approve the accompanying resolution authorizing it to apply for and accept such a DECD grant.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.



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Sincerely,

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