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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: Yale University – Dramatic Arts Building

Dear President Walker-Myers and Honorable Members of the Board of Alders:

On behalf of Yale University, and pursuant to the Order of the Board of Alders adopted on September 6, 2016 (File No. LM-2016-0241) (the "Order") approving Yale University's Central/Science Campus Overall Parking Plan ("OPP"), we are communicating to you in order to request a determination and adoption of a resolution by unanimous consent certifying that the enclosed Application for Development Permit/Site Plan review (the "Application") does not require an amendment to the OPP. The Order requires review by the Board of Alders of certain zoning applications of Yale University which propose new entitlements for the purpose of determining whether the application requires an amendment to the OPP. The Order specifically allows the Board of Alders to make such a determination by unanimous consent. This letter and the documents submitted herewith provide information enabling the Board of Alders to make a determination that an OPP amendment is not required. Enclosed are copies of the Application and plans submitted to the City Plan Commission on November 21, 2024.

The Application involves the construction of a new dramatic arts building on property owned by Yale University located at the northwest corner of York and Crown Streets, site utility work, and associated site improvements. The new building will house the University's David Geffen School of Drama at Yale graduate school program and Yale Repertory Theater, and the University's undergraduate program in Theater, Dance, and Performance Studies. The building will also provide space for the Yale Dramatic Association undergraduate student theater group. These University programs are currently housed in campus facilities that are dispersed among multiple buildings in several locations. The new building will include classrooms, offices,

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production and technical shops, rehearsal and meeting spaces, a 100-seat studio theater, and a new 400-seat Yale Repertory Theater.

No parking is required for this project under Section 12(b)(1)(g) of the Zoning Ordinance because parking for university use is not required by Section 45 of the New Haven Zoning Ordinance in the BD-1 and BD zoning districts.

A total of 41 existing on-site parking spaces will be eliminated by the project, 36 of which are part of the OPP inventory. The eliminated spaces will be accommodated within the surplus spaces available within the OPP.

For all the reasons outlined in this submission, Yale University respectfully requests a determination and resolution by the Board of Alders by Unanimous Consent certifying that the Application does not require an amendment of the OPP. A draft resolution is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

J. Michael Bellamy

Vice President, Facilities, Campus Development and Sustainability

**Enclosures** 

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS CERTIFYING THAT NO AMENDMENT TO THE YALE UNIVERSITY CENTRAL/SCIENCE CAMPUS OVERALL PARKING PLAN IS REQUIRED FOR THE APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT PERMIT/SITE PLAN REVIEW PERTAINING TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF A DRAMATIC ARTS BUILDING ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF YORK AND CROWN STREETS

WHEREAS, by communication dated November 22, 2024 from J. Michael Bellamy, Vice President, Facilities, Campus Development and Sustainability, Yale University has requested that the Board of Alders approve a resolution by unanimous consent certifying that an amendment to Yale University's Central/Science Campus Overall Parking Plan is not required for the Application for Development Permit/Site Plan review submitted to the City Plan Commission on November 21, 2024 pertaining to the construction of a dramatic arts building on the northwest corner of York and Crown Streets; and

WHEREAS, the Application for Development Permit/Site Plan review involves the construction of a dramatic arts building, site utility work, and associated site improvements, all as set forth more particularly in the communication submitted by Yale University.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the request of Yale University is hereby approved and the Board of Alders hereby determines and certifies that an amendment to Yale University's Central/Science Campus Overall Parking Plan is not required for the Application for Development Permit/Site Plan review submitted to the City Plan Commission on November 21, 2024.