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May 19, 2015

Mr. Tim Soule, Senior Project Manager
Meta Housing Corporation
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RE: Support Letter for Metro @ Western Family Apartments 3661 - 3665 Western Avenue

Dear Mr. Soule:

On Thursday, May 7, 2015 the Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council ("NANDC") voted 6-4 in favor of writing a letter to offer our support for the Metro @ Western Family Apartments project, including the preliminary design and proposal consisting of 44 family apartment units, with some portion of those set aside for supportive housing. Some concerns of board members include the fact that the project is not a mixed-income housing project with market-rate units available too to avoid communities of concentrated poverty.

With our support, we expect Meta Housing to include the following conditions set forth in this letter of support:

- NANDC reserves the right to review and revisit our support of the project as it develops and new information is disclosed about the project;
- that Meta Housing will conduct community outreach to neighbors within close proximity surrounding the development, and work in conjunction with NANDC representatives;
- that Meta Housing report back its findings from their outreach efforts and share community feedback or concerns;
- that Meta Housing provide information to NANDC Board regarding their **Project Labor Agreement (PLA)**, also known as a **Community Workforce Agreement**, which should include unionized workers with a minimum of at least 20% workers from the community surrounding the location of the project;
- and that Meta Housing investigates the possibility of including ground floor retail space.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact Andrea Canty at (310) 753-9678 by email at nandc.president@gmail.com.

Sincerely,



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