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Hon. Takis Karantonis, Chair Arlington County Board 2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 300 Arlington, VA 22201

RE: Inn of Rosslyn

Dear Mr. Karantonis:

At its September 4, 2025, virtual public meeting, the Housing Commission discussed the Inn of Rosslyn site plan proposal. The Commission supports the project's approval. The project will improve the site and the community, meets the Affordable Housing Ordinance requirements, and will provide 13 on-site Committed Affordable Units (CAFs).

The Commission voted unanimously, 9-0, to recommend approval of the site plan. The Commission discussed how the need for housing outweighed the open space goals that aren't being met in the current proposal. Despite the County Manager recommendation being denial, the Housing Commission would like to see this project approved. The applicant stressed that it was not feasible for them to develop the site in a way that met county staff's open space requirements. Given the likelihood that rejection of the site plan would lead to a vacant lot for a decade or more and that the Radnor-Ft. Meyer Heights Civic Association is in favor of the site plan, the Commission recommends that the project move forward.

Thank you for your consideration and support of affordable housing in Arlington.

Sincerely,

Kellen MacBeth

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