

## DWIGHT BOYKINS Houston City Council Member, District D

October 14, 2015

City of Houston - HCDD Neal Rackleff, Director 601 Sawyer Street, Suite 410 Houston, Texas 77007

RE: Proposed Paddock at Sunnyside Senior Living Apartments at 4410 Reed Rd, Houston, TX 77051

Dear Mr. Rackleff:

I am writing this letter to express my support for the proposed Paddock at Sunnyside Senior Living Apartments, an approximate 220-unit development that would provide much needed quality housing for residents over age 55 in the Sunnyside area. During this past summer, the LDG Development team reached out to my office in an attempt to understand the housing needs within District D. We subsequently scheduled a tour where I took them through the Sunnyside area to illustrate the declining quality of housing in the area. The tour unveiled an aging housing stock where senior residents, who have resided in the community for several decades, have no transitional housing opportunities for senior living. The tour also identified areas within the community that were primed for new development within proximity of neighborhood amenities.

The proposed location on Reed road is one of those sites we drove by during the tour, and it is opportune that LDG has been able to secure a purchase contract with the owner of the property for this intended use. A senior housing development at this location serves the dual purpose of providing quality affordable housing, and acting as a catalyst to spur other economic activity in the area. Furthermore, the site's location within close proximity of two banks, a pharmacy, grocery store, religious institutions, health center, and a senior center make it ideal for a senior multifamily development in Sunnyside. I am therefore glad to offer my enthusiastic support for development of the Paddock at Sunnyside Senior Living Apartments.

Sincerely

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