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December 13, 2019

Mr. Matthew Ebinger
Secretary, City Planning Commission
Planning and Development Review
900 E. Broad Street, Room 511
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Secretary Ebinger,

I am writing you on behalf of the James River Association in support of the Brown's Island Improvement Plan. The Brown's Island Improvement Plan is consisted with the Richmond Riverfront Plan, adopted by City Council in 2012. When implemented, the Brown's Island Improvement Plan will add needed amenities to the riverfront and create new opportunities for people to enjoy the James River.

My colleagues and I appreciate Venture Richmond's effort to engage riverfront stakeholders during the development of the plan. We were engaged by Venture Richmond staff members during the planning process and some of our suggestions were incorporated into the plan. We are especially supportive of the planned public restroom facilities and terraces along the James River.

I encourage members of the City Planning Commission to recommend approval of the Brown's Island Improvement Plan. Should you or any members of the City Planning Commission have any questions regarding the James River Association's support of the plan, please contact me at (804) 572-4667 or jdoyle@thejamesriver.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Justin Doyle". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Justin Doyle
Community Conservation Manager

cc: Mark Olinger, City of Richmond Planning and Development Review
Bill Street, James River Association
Shawn Ralston, James River Association
Lisa Sims, Venture Richmond
Max Hepp-Buchanan, Venture Richmond

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Mr. Ebinger,

I am writing in support of the Brown's Island Improvement Plan for the Richmond City Planning Commission.

This plan represents a tremendous opportunity for Venture Richmond and our other valuable partners to build upon the success of the vital Richmond riverfront area.

Brown's Island and the area around the Tredegar Ironworks site are rich in history. This plan would help the National Park Service and our partners at the American Civil War Museum to connect this part of our nation's history to more visitors who would be drawn by the fulfillment of the Plan.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

/s/
Doyle W. Sapp

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