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Councilmember Addison and Mr. Ebinger,

I am writing as both a neighbor in the Museum District and a planning/transportation engineer **in support of** the proposed SUP for 3415A Floyd Ave coming before the Planning Commission on Monday, 12/6/21.

As a member of the community I have seen the intense opposition of the immediate neighbors to the proposed SUP. From the letters of opposition and the results of the public meeting held on 11/30 it is clear that most of the opposition comes from either a personal dislike of the developer, Mr. DeCapri, or a desire to avoid any changes in their immediate vicinity. Few of the neighbors have a clear problem with the items in the SUP, only vague gesturing at perceived issues which have already been addressed in full by the developer in various letters and public meetings. The others base their opposition largely on a misunderstanding of engineering concepts like stormwater management, land use, and congestion mitigation.

Mr. DeCapri and his team have spent a great deal of time and money to accommodate the concerns of the neighbors. This is a rare opportunity for the Museum District to see a parcel developed by someone who is already part of the neighborhood rather than a large development firm, and who is willing to construct a few well-designed units rather than attempting to milk every dollar possible out of the land. This development is in accordance with Richmond300, which should be pursued at every opportunity, and is a small step towards addressing Richmond's desperate need for housing.

It is my hope that the Commission will **recommend approval** of the SUP.

Thank you,
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