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Hello,

I won't be able to make tomorrow's meeting of the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee, but wanted to voice my support as President of the Rosedale Civic Association for Resolution 2025-R039, to create a neighborhood node at the 5-point intersection where Hermitage splits between Hermitage and Arthur Ashe Boulevard.

Thank you!

Grady Hart, President of the Rosedale Civic Association

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Dear Councilors,

I am writing in lieu of speaking to you to support the approval of this proposed Resolution, which was developed as a collaborative effort of the Sherwood Park Civic Association, the Ginter Park Residents Association and the Rosedale Civic Association. We support the approval of this Resolution because:

It is consistent with the Richmond 300 Master Plan, it guides future development as a community-serving transitional area from lower density residential to higher density mixed use with commercial uses. It preserves and expands ground floor commercial requirements for residential development within the Community Mixed Use future land use plan. In addition, it prioritizes pedestrian and bike safety, especially along Hermitage and Brookland Parkway as it relates to the Fall Line Trail, and limits vehicle entrances for adjacent properties. It improves traffic safety by mitigating cut through traffic on Wentbridge.

In addition, the Resolution provides for retaining the historic and architectural context of surrounding neighborhoods, which is consistent with the Richmond 300 Plan and the Cultural Heritage Stewardship Plan. The proposed Resolution, if approved, will lead to improvements in transit accessibility for residents and visitors and supports plans for protected bike lanes on Westwood, Hermitage and Arthur Ashe, connecting all the way to Scott's Addition. This is consistent with the Bicycle Master Plan.

Thank you for considering my comments.

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To Members of Richmond City Council –

On behalf of the Ginter Park Residents Association Board, as well as our Planning and Zoning Committee, I request that Richmond City Council adopt Res. No. 2025-R039 regarding a new planning node located at the intersection of Hermitage Road, Arthur Ashe Blvd, and Brookland Parkway in the City's Northside (3rd voter district). As this intersection serves as the connection between the largely residential and more commercial areas of Northside, as well as the entrance to and from I-95/64, it is important that this area be developed in a manner appropriate for a gateway to the City. As the Diamond District and the areas surrounding it continue to develop, this "node" designation will bring added focus to the areas immediately surrounding this intersection which currently include a diverse mix of land uses.

This language of ordinance has been developed through a joint effort of the Ginter Park Residents Association, the Sherwood Park Community Association, and the Rosedale Civic Association, all of which are part of the node area.

Thank you for your support,

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