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December 14, 2018

Dear Members of City Council,

The Friends In Deed board supports the mixed use plan for 69 units of permanent supportive senior housing and a commercial component for Heritage Square South. Since a significant number of neighbors and others in Pasadena support this plan, it could be the launch for an Everyone In campaign: Housing for the homeless is good for any and all neighborhoods in Pasadena.

The women we serve at The Women's Room — nearly 2/3 are 50 to 70 years old — exemplify the need for this kind of housing and the potential for being good neighbors. We see so much courage and dignity among our guests, and ache when we have to send them back to the streets, their cars, the bus or train. If more people could meet them, they would want to say Count Me In.

We urge you to vote at your Dec. 17 meeting to proceed with a creative mixed-use development that not only serves the purpose for which the property was purchased, but will house a significant percentage of the city's homeless population. We need this project for a healthier community.

Sincerely,



Dr. Richard Cheung
President, Board of Directors

**12/17/2018
Item 18**

Martinez, Ruben

Subject: FW: Heritage Square Project: letter supporting permanent supportive housing for seniors

From: Karen Roberson <roberson.karen@sbcglobal.net>

Sent: Saturday, December 15, 2018 8:25 AM

To: Reese, Latasha <lreese@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: Heritage Square Project: letter supporting permanent supportive housing for seniors

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Good Morning; I am a long time resident of Pasadena residing at 785 Hamilton Ave, Pasadena 91104. I am in support of Heritage Square including 69 or 70 units of permanent supportive housing for seniors. It just makes sense to allow our neighbors who have lived in Pasadena to continue to be able to live here. I have seen first hand how residents of this community are being displaced to distant counties due to the high cost of rent in Pasadena and surrounding areas. It is a shame that our community cannot continue to be a home for our local neighbors. Please advise the City Council that I want them to agree to vote Yes on permanent supportive housing for homeless seniors.

Thank you.

Karen Roberson
Family Promise of San Gabriel Valley

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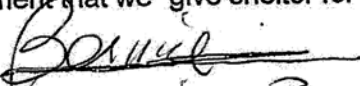
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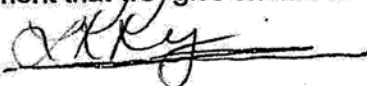
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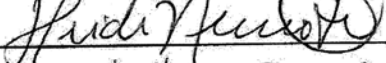
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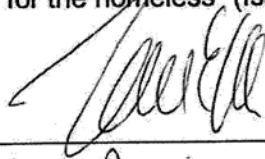
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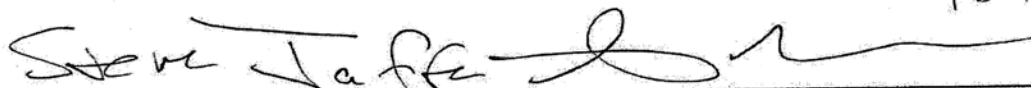
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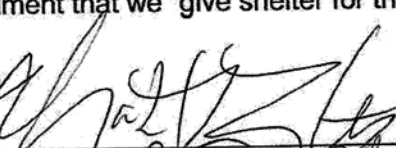
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