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- Name: Bob Eiffert
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- Phone Number: 703-212-7116
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- Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council
- Request Description: Please see the attached letter of support for the Gateway project (Docket Items 11 and 12 tomorrow) from the Alexandria Commission on Aging. Thank you!
- Expected Response Date: Friday, November 20

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November 13, 2015

The Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council
c/o City Clerk's office
301 King Street, Rm 2300
Alexandria, VA 22314

RE: Gateway Project Affordable Housing, Docket Items 11 and 12 on November 14, 2015

Dear Mayor Euille and Members of City Council:

The Alexandria Commission on Aging voted November 12, 2015 to send a letter of support for the Gateway Project at King and Beauregard Streets in Alexandria. The Commission specifically offers its strong support for the 74-unit affordable housing component, both the Planning and Zoning approvals in Docket Item 11 and the City loan of \$5.5 million in Docket Item 12.

The need for more affordable housing is evidenced by the loss of two-thirds of the market rate affordable housing units in Alexandria since 2000, according to the annual apartment rent surveys conducted by the City's Office of Housing. The Commission supports this modest addition of units in an excellent location. We applaud the inclusion of 8 units that will be accessible, and we urge that the remaining units include universal design. We thank the Planning Commission for its unanimous approval of the applications, and we urge City Council to do the same.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert C. Eiffert".

Robert C. Eiffert, Vice-Chair
Alexandria Commission on Aging