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Ms. Helen McIlvaine, Director
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Re: Housing Opportunities Loan Application for the Renovation of Bellefonte Apartments

On behalf of the Sheltered Homes of Alexandria (SHA) Board of Directors, I am pleased to submit an application for a City of Alexandria Housing Opportunities Fund (HOF) loan in the amount of \$450,000. This loan request would aid in the renovation of Bellefonte Apartments which serves as an important resource to the City's intellectual and developmental disabled (ID/DD) population.

The attached project description along with the proforma and plans overview will provide you with many of the details of this renovation. The project has a number of very positive attributes in that it extends the useful life of a very valuable resource and does so in a way that will allow the project become self-sustaining. In addition, the renovation will create six new accessible units to allow the population to age in place over time.

While the renovation has many positive outcomes, the process itself also represents a best practice in the City. This project has required that two of the City's non-profits (AHDC and SHA) worked together with the City's Department of Community and Human Resources (DCHS) and the Office of Housing, The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Virginia Housing Development Authority. We believe the outcome will be improved housing for some of our most vulnerable populations and partnerships that can be replicated as we look for opportunities to expand housing for all.

Attached to this letter is an overview of the property, a ten year proforma, and additional details needed for the HOF application. We appreciate our continuing partnership with the City of Alexandria and we look forward to hearing from you regarding our newest proposed acquisition. If you have any questions regarding this application, please do not hesitate to contact me at 703-739-7775 or at jfrederick@housingalexandria.org.

Sincerely,

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CC: Eric Keeler, Deputy Director, Office of Housing