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Houston City Council Member
At-Large, Position 5

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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

With this letter, I provide my support for Pro-Vision Villages at Chocolate Bayou for funding under the FY24 Economic Development Initiative program.

I ask the support of the Committee on Appropriations to consider Pro-Vision Villages at Chocolate Bayou for an appropriation amount of \$7.5 million under the FY24 Economic Development Initiative program for Phase I of their 3-phased project to build a master planned community with 462 affordable mixed-income units for families and seniors. Phase I will create 246 affordable units of housing for families representing an investment of over \$48.6 million to the Sunnyside community.

Pro-Vision Villages at Chocolate Bayou ("Pro-Vision"), a Houston based non-profit organization, is pursuing development of a master planned community with mixed income housing anchored by Pro-Vision Academy (an established charter school) in the Sunnyside Complete Communities in Houston, Tx. Pro-Vision secured additional land adjacent to Pro-Vision Academy and proposes this master planned community to have a stabilizing and sustaining effect on the Sunnyside Community. The housing initiative will leverage Pro-Vision's extensive investment in the Sunnyside Community and enhance the positive impact of the other initiatives Pro-Vision has implemented including educational services, programs & outreach, and their Urban Farm.

This master planned community would include the following existing and proposed components:

- Workforce Housing - Multifamily Apartments
- Senior Housing - Age Restricted Apartments
- Workforce Housing - Single Family Attached Cottages

- Urban Farms – Existing Urban Farm and Proposed Farmer’s Market
- Neighborhood Activity Center - Activity, Learning & Training Center

Pro-Vision will utilize strategic partnerships and industry relationships to plan, finance and build higher quality housing for individuals and families living in the Sunny Community while utilizing best practices and on a sustainable operation integrated with program and outreach services.

The result will be an award worthy development that meets the goal of creating higher quality affordable housing options for working individuals, families and the elderly residents while using the property to create a development that has meaning positive impact and a sustainable effect on the broader community and Sunnyside Complete Communities.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sallie Alcorn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being larger and more prominent than the last name.

Sallie Alcorn