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Dear Chair Kelly and Architectural Review Board members,

Attached please find a letter of support regarding item 8.1 for the ARB meeting on Tuesday February 16th. Thank you for your consideration.

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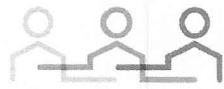
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February 11, 2021

Via Electronic mail

Architectural Review Board Members
City of Santa Monica

Dear Chair Kelly and Architectural Review Board members:

Community Corp. of Santa Monica ("Community Corp") is a Santa Monica-based non-profit organization that restores, builds, and manages affordable housing for people of modest means. By building and operating quality affordable housing, we improve neighborhoods, create an environment where people can thrive, and positively affect thousands of lives. Our work contributes to the distinct character of Santa Monica, making it a more inclusive, caring, and environmentally sustainable city. In short, we advance the values that Santa Monica residents share - and enrich our community in doing so.

Our organization is pleased to be partnering with the Related Companies team to provide up to 89 new affordable housing units (30% of the total residential units) as part of the 710 Broadway mixed-use project. These 89 units will serve a wide range of residents given the mix of unit types (3-bedrooms, 2-bedrooms, 1-bedrooms and studios) and affordability levels (30% Income Households, 50% Income Households, 80% Income Households and Moderate Income Households). Providing new affordable housing at a gateway to downtown Santa Monica is an important aspect of the project, and will contribute to the values of inclusiveness that the City has demonstrated over the years. It is a rare opportunity to have this many affordable units integrated into a market-rate project, and we are excited for this project to be realized.

Affordable housing should be ideally located in a walkable neighborhood, close to jobs, services, and transit. This project meets those goals. Additionally, the replacement of the supermarket at the project location will enhance an important amenity to residents and contribute to the complete neighborhood that is taking shape in our downtown community.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this important project.

Regards,

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