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Hon. Amanda Burden
Chairperson
New York City Planning Commission
22 Reade Street
New York, NY 10007

Dear Chairperson Burden:

As you know, the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Architects has been working with representatives of a number of organizations, including Citizens Housing and Planning Council, and your staff to develop a series of proposed changes to the Zoning Resolution text. These changes, which are attached, are intended to accomplish several objectives: clarify existing provisions to improve compliance, provide design flexibility, and address changes in technology that have occurred since the original provisions were written.

The proposed incremental changes to the Zoning Resolution will lead to better design and will facilitate the development of housing. The Citizens Housing and Planning Council supports the proposed changes and urges the City Planning Commission to adopt them. We would also once again note the excellent work of your staff without whom this type of collaborative effort would not be possible.

Sincerely,

Jerilyn Perine

Pc Members of
CHPC Zoning Committee