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Subj: Support of Mercy Housing on East Side by new Columbia-St. Mary's Hospital and US Bank

I am one of the local Daughters of Charity living adjacent to The new Columbia St. Mary's Hospital. I live at 2430 N. Lake Drive and help part time at the hospital. I want to ask you to support this project for a 5 floor affordable apartment/ parking structure consisting of 54 multi family apartments. This project would be leased to people working in the area earning from \$29,880/ year for an individual to \$42,660/year for a family of 4. Rents would be from \$740/month for a studio to \$1,100/month for a 3 bedroom. Projects like this will bring about construction jobs in the near future and then good housing opportunities for lower income individuals and families working in the surrounding neighborhood.

I personally worked with Mercy Housing Inc. on a 49 unit home project for low-income seniors in Mobile Alabama in conjunction with Providence Hospital which is also part of Ascension Health. The State of Alabama HUD housing representative said the end results was the most elegant project when finished of any he had ever worked with. I am sure you and our entire east side neighborhood will be very pleased with the final results in this case.

Your support will be deeply and prayerfully appreciated.

Sr. Mary Elizabeth Cullen, Daughter of Charity