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President and Members
Council of the City of Pittsburgh
510 City-County Building
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Re: CSX Study Area – Project Cares Consolidation Plan
Authorization of Disposition Contract
Council District No. 6

Dear President and Members:

Enclosed for your consideration is a proposed Resolution approving execution of a Contract for Disposition by Sale of Land between the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh and 2P110-Cares, Inc. or a related entity to be formed, for the sale of Lot 1 in the Project Cares Consolidation Plan (currently Block 2-P, Lots 110, in part, and 120, along with a to-be-vacated portion of old First Avenue adjoining to the south), in the 1st Ward of the City of Pittsburgh.

The above lots total approximately 23,237 square feet, with a purchase price of \$1.00 plus costs. 2P110-Cares, Inc. will develop a five-story, approximately 45,000 square foot, 95-bed low-barrier shelter serving the homeless population of the city. The facility will serve single occupancy residents, those with a need for emergency shelter, and those who need daytime stays. The building design is “trauma-informed” to meet the needs of homeless people and will accommodate pets. In order to open the shelter in early 2022, in time for the next winter, Project Cares desires to break ground and begin foundation work before year-end. Authorization of this Contract will permit adherence to that timetable by allowing for a December real estate closing.

We request that Council consider this Resolution and act upon it favorably. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Lisa Meier, at (412) 255-6693.

Sincerely,

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Diamonte Walker 

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