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MISSOURI SENATE **BARBARA ANNE WASHINGTON** SENATOR, 9th DISTRICT

> EXHIBIT 6F LCRA 6/27/23

Kip Stetzler **Missouri Housing Development Commission** 930 Main Street, Suite. 1400 Kansas City, MO 64105

Dear Mr. Stetzler:

As state senator for Missouri's 9th Senatorial District, a couple of my priorities are creating economic development opportunities and providing affordable, safe housing for the families in my district. With that in mind, I am writing in support of Missouri Housing Partners' (MHP) application for a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit to construct the Blue Hills Townhomes, a 45-unit, multi-generational community development housing project for low-income seniors and families in Kansas City. This tax credit will assist MHP, an experienced, minority-owned general contracting company, in building the housing units at 5015 Garfield Avenue to provide safe, affordable housing and services in an area where it is desperately needed.

The Blue Hills Townhomes will include broadband internet infrastructure and feature energy efficient HVAC, lighting and appliances. The developer will also work in tandem with The Whole Person to promote economic self-sufficiency, education and health for tenants. These initiatives include providing food boxes, computer literacy courses, exercise and cooking classes, community discussion groups and tutoring for students, further demonstrating their commitment to uplifting the community.

This collaborative effort will directly coincide with Kansas City's city-wide plan and will utilize data reported from the Blue Hills quality of life plan and input from local leaders and the community. Additionally, MHP will work with the Midwest Housing Equity Group to ensure the project meets the requirements and attracts other suitable investors.

I am proud to lend my support to this important affordable housing project and hope the Commission will approve this needed tax credit. Thank you for your time and consideration of Missouri Housing Partner's (MHP) application for Missouri Housing Development's Low-income Tax Credit Program.

Barbara Anne Washington Ninth Senatorial District