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TO:

City of Somerville

City Hall

93 Highland Avenue Somerville, MA 02143 <u>Attention:</u> George Proakis Director of Planning

FROM:

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RE:

5 Smith Ave & 104 Beacon Street- Accessibility Narrative

The residences at 5 Smith Avenue and 104 Beacon Street will be comprised of two buildings. The first building is the existing structure at 5 Smith Avenue which contains two existing dwelling units. The existing units will remain and be renovated. The second building will be new construction at 104 Beacon Street and will contain three new dwelling units. The total dwelling units will be five. Neither building will be served by an elevator.

Per the requirements of **521 CMR 9.3 Group 1 Dwelling Units** [In multiple dwellings that are for rent, hire, lease, or sale but are not equipped with an elevator, only units on the ground floor must be constructed as Group 1 Dwelling Units], the Ground Floor Unit, Unit# 1 of 104 Beacon Street, has been designed as a Group 1 unit in compliance with the regulations set forth in 521 CMR. In the event the unit is sold to a person with mobility impairment, space has been allotted in the design for the addition of an internal wheelchair lift that would serve Unit#1 exclusively.

Sincerely,

Jai Singh Khalsa Khalsa Design Inc.