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Honorable Mayor David Briley
Metropolitan Government of Nashville
and Davidson County
1 Public Square
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Dear Mayor Briley:

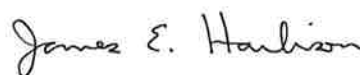
Recent correspondence from the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County Director of Finance Talia Lomax-O'dneal to the Metropolitan Council indicates an intent to sell the Murrell School. This property presently is used by over 100 families that live in MDHA's Edgehill and Gernert Studio Apartments for vegetable gardens as part of MDHA's collaboration with local nonprofits to encourage urban farming.

Since July of 2017, this site has also been part of MDHA's community based Envision Edgehill strategic planning to remediate concentrated poverty, increase affordable housing and recapitalize Edgehill and Gernert through mixed-income, mixed-use redevelopment. This property is important to the quality of life for our MDHA residents now, and more important in the future, as it provides needed space for early construction of mixed income housing when we begin building the Envision Edgehill master plan.

MDHA would like to purchase the Murrell property and offers the revenue from the market sale of one of its parcels on Rolling Mill Hill, which we assessed to exceed \$13,000,000, or a mutually agreed upon price from a third party appraisal, not to exceed \$13,000,000. This sale to MDHA will assure protection for our residents' current activities and for them as we construct Envision Edgehill.

MDHA is ready to proceed with negotiations for this sale on the terms above. We are open to any other approach that protects our residents' opportunities and assists our goals to remediate concentrated poverty and increase the supply of affordable housing.

Sincerely,



James E. Harbison
Executive Director

cc: MDHA Board of Commissioners
Metropolitan Council Members