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March 28, 2022

Ms. Kayrine Brown
Acting Executive Director
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RE: Endorsement of Proposed Revisions to HOC's Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan

Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter certifies that the Resident Advisory Board (RAB) to the Housing Opportunities Commission (HOC) of Montgomery County reviewed and discussed the proposed revisions to HOC's Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Administrative Plan, as outlined below. Please be advised that the RAB fully supports and endorses these proposed revisions to HOC's HCV Administrative Plan.

- **Table of Contents:** Updated based on revisions below.
- **Chapter 2 (Eligibility for Admission):** Updated standards for Live-In Aides.
- **Chapter 10 (Housing Quality Standards and Inspections):** Addition of language regarding Remote Video Inspections.
- **Chapter 11 (Owner Rents, Rent Reasonableness, and Payment Standards):** Omitted language regarding voucher certificates and added language regarding Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT).

The RAB recognizes and appreciates HOC's efforts to update HOC's HCV Administrative Plan based on updates to the current rules and regulations, and to add additional clarity to the existing HCV Administrative Plan. It is essential that HOC continue these efforts to keep HOC's policies, procedures, and governing documents up to date.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K. Flanagan".

Kathleen Flanagan
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RE: Endorsement of Proposed Revisions to HOC's Violence Against Women Act Policy and Related Housing Choice Voucher Administrative Plan Revisions

Dear Ms. Brown:

This letter certifies that the Resident Advisory Board (RAB) to the Housing Opportunities Commission (HOC) of Montgomery County reviewed and discussed the proposed revisions to HOC's Violence Against Women Act (VAWA Policy) and related revisions to the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Administrative Plan, Chapter One (Statement of Policy and Objectives). Please be advised that the RAB fully supports and endorses the proposed revisions to HOC's VAWA Policy and the HCV Administrative Plan.

The RAB recognizes and appreciates HOC's efforts to update agency documents in relation to VAWA in order to address this essential fair housing issue. VAWA protections are critical to HOC applicants and customers at all levels of housing provided by HOC.

It is essential that HOC remain diligent in their efforts to promote all aspects of fair housing while providing quality housing opportunities throughout Montgomery County.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K. Flanagan".

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