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Florida Housing Finance Corporation
c/o Jean Salmonsens
227 North Bronaugh Street, Suite 5000
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Via E-Mail: Jean.Salmonsens@floridahousing.org

Dear Ms. Salmonsens,

As a President of Miami Historic East Shenandoah Homeowners Association, Inc., and resident of approximately 58 years of the Roads neighborhood and East Shenandoah. I would like to express to you my disapproval of proposed affordable housing development and any funding resources being allocated to communities that do not have a need for said projects as our neighborhoods are completely built out. The Roads neighborhood is an affluent neighborhood and the Vizcaya Metrorail Station is surrounded by single family and/or duplexes residences with no major arteries connected to the properties with no commercial accessibility.

Urban Center/Metrorail Designation

- Question 5.h.(2) of Exhibit A must reflect "Yes", *and the named Metrorail Station must reflect Allapattah, Civic Center, Coconut Grove, Douglas Road, or Vizcaya;* and
- The Application must achieve a minimum of 5 Proximity Points based on the proximity to a Public Rail Station.

The stations which are listed on the Agenda, Vizcaya, Coconut Grove, and Douglas Road are the least worthy candidates to receive any funding for affordable housing. We have many underserved areas in the Miami-Dade County and it would be a waste of resources to consider Vizcaya Station, Coconut Grove, and even Douglas Road which do not need it. I urge you to consider allocating those funds to truly low-income communities such as the Allapattah and Opa Locka and its surrounding stations, which have been underserved for decades and need to improved low-income housing alternatives. As a 58 year resident to express that we do not need it nor do we want to have any low-income housing in our area. What needs to be done is bring up those neighborhoods and invest these funds in those areas listed above which are in dire need of affordable housing. I agree that these funds should be allocated to those communities.

I hope you take my request into consideration as I fully support funding for low-income affordable housing; however, those funds need to be allocated solely to the communities which are in dire need of the assistance.

Sincerely,



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