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Mobilizing people to invest in greater Dundalk's neighborhoods, economy, and quality of life.

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of Dundalk Renaissance, we are writing to express our continued support for the proposal from The Family Crisis Center of Baltimore County for the former site of the St. Rita's school, church hall, and convent buildings located on the block bounded by Dunglow, Mornington, Dunleer, and Dunmanway Roads ("St. Rita's parcel"). We previously endorsed their proposal in February 2020, and are eager to see it move forward for the growth and success of this valued community partner and for the benefit of our entire community.

The Family Crisis Center's proposal for the St. Rita's parcel will deepen the work of a trusted non-profit organization with over 40 years of experience serving our community. In 2020, we honored them with our Cornerstone award for the important contributions they are making in disrupting cycles of violence and supporting family stability in Dundalk. Their intended uses for these buildings, as 10-12 apartments for transitional use by victims of domestic violence, a community gathering space, expanded offices, and community gardens will create greater stability for families currently served by the Emergency shelter, and enable FCC to support these families to establish deeper roots in the community.

Strengthening the stability of families is critical to maintaining stable communities. We share both of these goals. The community gathering space will be an important addition to the resources available to help grow community and neighborhood capacity, directly benefitting the broader public. We look forward to seeing these buildings returned to active uses that enhance and work to fulfill our vision for a vibrant Dundalk in the decades to come.

Sincerely,

Dan Dawes
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EXHIBIT
8-A

Amie Post
Executive/Clinical Director
The Family Crisis Center of Baltimore County, Inc.

Dear Amie Post,

On behalf of the Dunlogan Community Association I want to confer our support for the rehabilitation of the buildings commonly referred to as the St. Rita's buildings(which are bordered by Dunleer Road, Dunglow Road, and Mornington Road) by the Family Crisis Center.

The program was outlined by you at our March 5, 2020 meeting. The ability to care for and give these women a chance at a normal life is of the utmost importance. The buildings which have sat vacant for years, now have a chance to be revitalized.

Change is inevitable and we welcome the opportunity to use these buildings in something productive instead of deteriorating to the point of decay.

The decision to close the school was not one which was made lightly. The reality is that the school was not self-sufficient and the parish could not carry the debt which was accruing annually. The parish could not afford to maintain these buildings and the decision was made to sell them. We have had other offers for the buildings, but the fit was not right. We felt this fit was right as it followed our Christian values of helping others. We see this as a win for all parties involved. Beautify the buildings in the community and help those in need.

Sincerely,

Sharon Mullaney
President
Dunlogan Community Association

EXHIBIT
8-B

Old Dundalk Neighborhood Association

February 23, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Old Dundalk Neighborhood Association, we are writing to express our support for the proposal from The Family Crisis Center of Baltimore County for the former site of the St. Rita's school, church hall, and convent buildings located on the block bounded by Dunglow, Mornington, Dunleer, and Dunmanway Roads
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Sincerely,

Old Dundalk Neighborhood Association
Jessica Lilli- ODNA President
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EXHIBIT
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