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Ms. Deverra Beverly  
and Ms. Sunny Fischer  
Public Housing Museum  
c/o The Richard H. Driehaus Foundation  
203 North Wabash Avenue  
Suite 1800  
Chicago, Illinois 60601

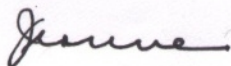
Dear Ms. Beverly and Ms. Fisher:

I am pleased to support your efforts to develop a museum of public housing on the west side of Chicago. The School of Social Service Administration has been integrally involved in the development of social welfare policies and institutions in Chicago for nearly 100 years. The proposed museum would provide a rich educational and cultural resource to advance the ongoing development of the important social institution that is public housing.

Few cities have had as significant an involvement in the development and analysis of public housing programs as Chicago. The City engaged in some of the earliest efforts to provide publicly subsidized housing to immigrants, migrants and others in need of affordable shelter. The experience in Chicago, as it has evolved over time, has informed housing policy and practice around the country. The proposed museum would help preserve this rich history of the "Chicago school" of public housing and contribute to the ongoing development of public housing policy and practice.

I applaud your civic commitment and institution building efforts. Chicago is a better city for your efforts.

Sincerely,



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