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To Whom it May Concern,

RE: Downtown Greens

On behalf of The Table at St. George's, the fresh market food pantry of St. George's Episcopal Church, may this letter show our full support for Downtown Greens' efforts to purchase the farmland next to Braehead Farm in the Industrial Park of Fredericksburg.

Over the past year, The Table has worked directly alongside Downtown Greens in one of our local neighborhood fresh produce distribution sites, as well as indirectly through our partnership with the Fredericksburg Area Community Supported Agriculture Project for two years prior to that. We are proud to stand beside a mission that aligns with ours and helps the people of our community in such a profound and much needed way.

This is an exciting possibility for Fredericksburg! Downtown Greens has been a leader in our community for more than 25 years and we believe they would become responsible stewards of this unique piece of farmland within the city. Their plans to further their mission include a discerning process and knowledgeable approach to conservation and protection of the wetlands, increasing educational opportunities for the community, and growing additional food that can be used to help people living with food insecurity.

Sincerely,

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