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To whom it may concern:

I am writing to express my support for the Acer House project at 2210 E Cherry St, including its vision for equitable development, its application for SIF funding to ensure permanently affordable commercial spaces, and for the Contract Rezone to 55' height.

I am the owner of the Arco/Ampm gas station nearby at 665 23rd ave, as well as a longtime resident of the Central Area. I wholeheartedly support the Acer House project. In addition, I share a similar long-term vision for equitable development at the gas station. A future redevelopment of the Arco/Ampm would potentially include more parking and electric car charging spaces. I look forward to creating synergy between the Acer House project and the redevelopment of the Arco/Ampm on 23rd and Cherry St.

I support the mission of Acer House, with its desire to build an equitable mixed use development in the Central Area. I am aware of the project's plans for anti-racist procurement, affordable housing, community co-investment, and Afro-Futurist design inspiration that celebrates the legacy of the Central Area.

The project is personally important to me because...

I specifically ask the City of Seattle to support the project in

- Allowing the project to build to 55' height, the same as on the east side of Garfield Superblock, and thus ensuring enough scale for the project to be viable

- Award the project funds from the Equitable Development Strategic Investment Fund (SIF) to ensure that the retail spaces at Acer can be perpetually affordable for businesses that serve the community

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Daniel Taye