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Dear Council Members,

Please find attached our letter in support of the 145th Street Subarea Rezone.

Sincerely,

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September 9th, 2016

Dear Mayor Roberts and Members of the Shoreline City Council,

We write to you in support of the proposed 145th Street Station Subarea Plan package that was recommended to the council by the Planning Commission. As a recently married couple of the millennial generation, we're proud to be new homeowners in the City of Shoreline. One of the main reasons we chose to settle in Shoreline is the forthcoming light rail, and the promise of redevelopment in the station area vicinities. While we love the quiet Shoreline neighborhoods, the access to parks, and the basic amenities that Shoreline has to offer, there is a glaring loss of a compact retail area offering the opportunity for people to walk, shop, eat and play.

As a daily commuter to downtown Seattle, I can personally attest that traffic worsens daily, the Park & Rides are full, and I often do my shopping and exercise in Seattle before returning home to Shoreline. As I look to the future of Shoreline, it is with great hope and expectation that there will one day be a light rail I can bike to, with neighborhood shops and restaurants within walking distance.

Our region is poised for skyrocketing population growth, and while Shoreline was once a quiet suburb of Seattle, it is ill conceived that our community will continue to play that role. Over the next 25 years, the Puget Sound Region is projected to increase by 1 million more people. Where we will house those new residents, and ensuring that housing remains affordable depends on smart growth planning. Establishing multi-family housing and mixed-use development close to light rail stations makes sense. Additionally, we believe that as many people as possible should be provided the opportunity to live within walking distance of the future light rail station. Therefore, we urge the council to consider zoning alternatives that would increase the potential for multi-family housing of the greatest proposed 70-foot heights within walking distance of the future 147th Street station. We also urge the council to ensure that the light rail station features park & rides and secure bicycle storage in the form of bike lockers or cages.

We are excited to be part of a community that is thoughtfully planning for the future in a way that is equitable and sustainable for future generations. We recognize that change is difficult, and that rezoning neighborhoods does not come without loss of character and historic sentiment. We urge you to continue the forward thinking thus demonstrated with the adoption of the 185th Street subarea rezone and adopt the 145th Street subarea proposal.

Thank you for your consideration and dedication to the future of our community.

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