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ATTN: Dorothy Roberts & Charles "Chaz" Howard
Presidential Advisers
University of Pennsylvania Public Safety Review and Outreach Initiative

Re: Invitation to Testify Before the Penn Public Safety Review and Outreach Initiative

Dear Dorothy Roberts and Charles "Chaz" Howard:

Thank you for the opportunity to support the University of Pennsylvania Public Safety Review and Outreach Initiative. On behalf of myself and the Walnut Hill Community Association (WHCA), we are more than glad to participate in the University of Pennsylvania Public Safety Review and Outreach Initiative. This letter is written to be presented at the Public Safety hearing on Thursday, August 20, 2020.

The Walnut Hill Community Association can testify to the many ways the University of Pennsylvania Division of Public Safety incorporates respect, priority and equality within its boundaries in our West Philadelphia communities. Our Walnut Hill community is safer and cleaner providing residents with pride and dignity for where they live. This is important to our quality of life and sense of purpose. The University of Pennsylvania Division of Public Safety services and other resources fuel our community with motivation and drive to continuously seek opportunities and resources to beautify our blocks, neighborhoods and communities.

Our moto is: We are better together. The safety provided by the University of Pennsylvania Penn Police provides that extra measure of safety that keeps neighbors coming outdoors to enjoy each other and work on ways to stay connected and relevant in our wonderful historic community.

Moreover, we are a privileged community to reap the community services of the University of Penn Police: Such as attending our community meetings, listening to our concerns then applying emphasis on safety improvements for most needed areas and/or intersections. The University of Pennsylvania Public Safety services and police are present when we need them and when we don't... We are sending our sincere thanks and gratitude for all that is provided in our communities where we live, play, work and raise our children.