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VIA U.S. FIRST CLASS MAIL and EMAIL

Dallas Homeowners League
Jeri Arbuckle, President
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RE: Belmont Neighborhood Association Membership Hearing

Dear Ms. Arbuckle:

This letter is in response to yours of October 12, 2007 directed to Diana Souza, our President, and Avi Adelman, our Vice-President. Please direct further correspondence to my attention.

I apologize in advance for the disjointed nature of this letter, but I believe it necessary to respond to several of your points.

In response to your request for dates, we propose November 15 or 16, 2007 after 7 p.m. or on November 17, 2007, a Saturday, in the afternoon. If none of these dates are compatible with the board, please let me know and I will endeavor to find additional dates.

We acknowledge your statements about media being admitted, but that no recording of any type will be allowed. We question why only print media would be admitted, so long as no recordings are made. We request that all media be permitted to attend, so long as they agree to not record any portion of the proceedings. We will ensure that all media invited to attend by us will not engage in any recording of the proceedings.

With regard to the fact that DHL member organizations will be permitted to submit one page statements regarding support or opposition of the BNA application for membership, we request that you provide us with a contact person with each DHL member organization within the next five days so that we may be presented the opportunity to present our views to the DHL membership. Without this opportunity, it seems inherently unfair that DHL would permit comment by member organizations when only LGNA has access to the names and contacts for these organizations. We believe that

this will give LGNA an unfair advantage in this process which, as you stated, LGNA bears the burden to show why our application should be denied.

Finally, we have one issue which was not raised in your letter. We hereby request that one of your board members, Patricia Carr, recuse herself entirely from this hearing, and refrain from commenting on this application. The basis for our request is her connection to LGNA. This is not to say that we do not believe Mrs. Carr to be fit to serve on the DHL Board. I know that she knows many members of BNA, I personally enjoyed meeting her at the DHL Boot Camp a few months ago, and I am sure that she serves DHL well and look forward to working with her in the future. However, the appearance of impropriety is simply too great. Mrs. Carr is a member of LGNA and currently serves as an officer of LGNA. The presence of an officer of the association seeking to block the BNA application in the executive session where the membership decision will be made is inappropriate, and we trust that you will ensure that Mrs. Carr will not be present.

We look forward to the opportunity to defend our application and become a member of DHL.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss this matter further, do not hesitate to contact myself or Avi S. Adelman.

My email address is Stephen@BelmontNA.org. The association's fax number is 214-292-9761.

Sincerely,

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