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May 4, 2016

Hon. Julissa Ferreras-Copeland
New York City Council Member
32-33A Junction Blvd
East Elmhurst, NY 11369

Re: T2016-4459 – Calvary Baptist Church Senior Housing

Dear Chairwoman Ferreras-Copeland,

I wish to convey to you and your fellow Finance Committee members my support for a tax-exemption to be granted to Calvary Baptist Church Housing Development Fund Company, Inc. ("CALBC").

In accordance with Section 202 of the National Housing Act, CALBC has been operating a 100-unit senior citizen supportive housing facility in my South Jamaica district for over twenty years.

Calvary Baptist Senior Housing currently serves 99 individuals, and offers them a range of DFTA funded programs designed to keep its residents healthy and engaged.

Presently, Calvary Baptist Senior Housing has nearly 400 applicants on its waiting list.

To better accommodate both its current and prospective residents, CALBC seeks to refinance its mortgage with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), so it can fund a series of renovations and upgrades that are critical to Calvary Baptist Senior Housing's functionality; including a roof replacement, elevator overhaul, accessibility enhancements, and repairs to its apartments.

I respectfully ask that the committee grant a tax-exemption to CALBC under the terms of its new mortgage with HUD, which will be necessary for Calvary Baptist Senior Housing and its staff to continue serving South Jamaica's seniors with distinction.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ruben Wills
New York City
Council Member
28th District, Queens

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Appearance Card

I intend to appear and speak on Int. No. _____ Res. No. _____

in favor in opposition

Date: 5-5-2016

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