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Michael F. Glavin, Executive Director Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development City Hall 93 Highland Avenue Somerville, MA 02143

Dear Mr. Glavin,

By this letter, the City of Somerville Engineering Department supports the renaming of Assembly Square Drive and New Street. According to standard engineering practice associated with life safety, public safety and typical roadway naming convention, it is recommended that a street bear the same name along its entire length, particularly when it will appear to be one continuous roadway to those travelling on it. Given the new roadway layout of the Assembly Row development, renaming these two streets will reduce opportunities for confusion during an emergency response and provide a more unified and logical roadway network.

If you have any questions, please call me at 617-625-6600 x5410.

Sincerely,

Robert T. King PE Director of Engineering City of Somerville - DPW

