December 9, 2020

Mayor and City Council City of Columbia 701 East Broadway P.O. Box 6015 Columbia, MO 65205

Dear Mayor Treece and City Council Members:

The Board of Directors of the Downtown Community Improvement District would like to offer support of the Parking Advisory Commission's recommendation to provide free meter and parking garage parking on Christmas Eve.

By allowing free parking on Christmas Eve, The District believes it will help entice last-minute shopping within the District and help spread a little holiday cheer. In addition to helping retailers in The District, various Churches in The District have reached out asking for free parking on Christmas Eve. Free parking would greatly benefit the numerous churches in The District that plan on having Christmas Eve services.

Finally, we would like to thank the Parking Advisory Commission and all involved City staff for their work on this issue.

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Nickie Davis
Executive Director

**Downtown Community Improvement District** 

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