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

Dear Honorable Mayor Buffaloe and City Council Members,

I am writing on behalf of the CID Board of Directors to express our support for the initiative to coordinate 15-minute, paid, on-street parking spaces dedicated to curbside pickup needs. Our proposal entails relocating these spots to the ends of the blocks, accompanied by prominent signage for better visibility of the spots and their use.

We are currently seeking approval for fewer than 25 designated spots downtown. Reintroducing a paid parking system would not only facilitate smoother operations but also let the City Parking Utility resume control over maintenance and handle complaint lines efficiently.

Implementing these curbside pickup spaces in 2020 has proven immensely beneficial for our local businesses and their patrons. It has significantly improved accessibility to downtown, fostering inclusivity for customers who rely on quick stops to collect their goods.

We extend our gratitude to the City's Parking Commission for their diligent work on this matter. The CID Board of Directors eagerly anticipates a more consistent and user-friendly parking experience in our downtown area.

Thank you for your consideration. Don't hesitate to get in touch with me anytime with questions.

Many thanks, Nickie Davis Executive Director

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