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Subject: Commitment to Washington Heights

Dear Lynnsey:

Due to such a demanding schedule, I know it has been difficult catching up with me for an in depth interview. I hope that our meeting today was truly informative and answered many of your unanswered questions. Your passion to inform the community is most impressive and I sincerely thank you for your dedication.

In lieu of the recent rise of concerns regarding the quality of life for economically challenged individuals in the city of Jacksonville, I wanted to inform you that I have officially submitted a request for the City and Federal Housing Departments to conduct a multi-unit inspection at Washington Heights. The purpose of the inspections is to address reports that were recently made regarding mold and other structural defects that seem to be creating consternations within the community. I want to reemphasize that I have been working diligently with the residents of Washington Heights and Rev. Hamlet to address immediate concerns. Although there may be some opportunities left much has been done to correct the defects over the years that I have been serving the district. Considering that this is a 40 year old complex, improvements have been gradual but steady. My goal has been to create a better quality of life with minimal intrusion to the residents of the community.

I want to thank you again for taking the time from your busy schedule to meet with me. Your concerns have been valid and your suggestions have been heard. My office looks forward to continuing a working partnership with you.

For additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my assistant, Gerrie Ford-Hardin at 904-630-7231. I am sure that we will have the opportunity to meet again.

Sincerely,

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