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City of Palm Bay City
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Dear Honorable Palm Bay Mayor, City Councilmen, and staff,

I am writing to express my support for the Palm Bay Suites and Residences, mixed-use project located on Robert J. Conlan Boulevard within the City of Palm Bay. This request to change the Future Land Use from Commercial to Neighborhood Center will greatly benefit the city and is certainly in keeping with the character of the area. Key components of the planned project include some additional needed housing options in the area, while pairing a hotel with a restaurant. Of particular interest, it also includes a much-needed 4,500 sq. ft. conference center right in the heart of the tech zone. L3Harris, Renesas, Raytheon, Rogue Valley Microdevices, Florida Tech, and more are right in the nearby tech corridor. These tech companies and institutions need a large meeting space and convenient hotel accommodations.

Commercial and industrial properties have been impacted by the Pandemic and Ecommerce in that traditional brick and mortar projects have fallen off significantly; however, our city residents still need housing that is centrally located and near employment centers.

This economically viable project will benefit the overall tax base of the city without negative impacts to services or infrastructure due to its location. It is a planned development within the urban core and is an ideal infill mixed use for the area. I hope you will look closely at this request and see the significant short- and long-term value to the City of Palm Bay.

Thank you for considering rezoning this property for the proposed hotel conference center and multi-family apartment housing project.

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