



**OFFICE OF BOSTON CITY COUNCILOR  
GABRIELA COLETTA**

Karen LaFrazia  
President & CEO  
St. Francis House  
39 Boylston St  
Boston, MA 02116

RE: Abundant Opposition to the Helm on Third

Dear Ms. LaFrazia,

The project known as Helm on Third proposed by St. Francis House and the Planning Office of Urban Affairs in the Charlestown Navy Yard has faced strong opposition from a majority of the Charlestown community since preliminary conversations began in October.

As District Councilor for Charlestown, it is my duty to ensure my constituents' voices are listened to and amplified in my advocacy. This level of opposition warrants an indefinite pause and an entire reset for a proposal that works for all communities involved to achieve truly affordable housing.

I am grateful for the robust changes St. Francis House has made over the course of their meetings with local residents. While your offer to appear at another community meeting is in line with where the pre-filing process stands at this time, based on overwhelming opposition from my constituents, I cannot support this proposal moving forward without completely going back to the drawing board.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Gabriela Coletta". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Gabriela Coletta

Boston City Councilor  
District One

CC:

The Honorable Mayor Michelle Wu  
The Honorable State Senator Sal DiDomenico  
The Honorable State Representative Dan Ryan  
Tiffany Chu, Chief of Staff, City of Boston  
Sheila Dillon, Chief of Housing, Mayor's Office of Housing