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FROM: Richard Busch, Member, Historic Preservation Subcommittee  
Committee of 100 on the Federal City

SUBJECT: Comments on Cultural Landscape Assessment for June 24, 2020  
Meeting

Re: Proposed Renovation and New Construction for the Marriner S.  
Eccles Building and Federal Reserve Board-East Building

Dear Mr. Foltz:

On behalf of the Trustees of the Committee of 100 on the Federal City (C100). I am pleased to voice its strong support for the Cultural Landscape Assessment prepared by the architectural firm Quinn Evans on this project.

The Quinn Evans team has done a masterful job in the thoroughness of its 2-volume Character-Defining Features Survey of the interior and exterior of the two buildings under study. Its Cultural Landscape Assessment builds on that survey work and includes a landscaping review going back almost 80 years, and analyses of the contributions that both buildings in this project and their settings will have in a future Northwest Federal Rectangle Historic District. In essence, the Assessment is the recommended foundation on which all the proposed work on these two Federal Reserve Board properties rest. The Assessment, which is well-organized and clearly written, concludes with recommendations in an Historic Landscape Stewardship Plan that provides a blueprint for the Federal Reserve Board to follow in its care of these properties

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well into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The C100 looks forward to the conclusion of the overall review process and the implementation of the Assessment.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

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