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Dear Ms. Mendelson-Ielmini:

In its meeting of 20 November, the Commission of Fine Arts reviewed the site selection study for a memorial commemorating the establishment of the Peace Corps in 1961. The Commission provided the following comments for consideration as the site selection process is completed.

The Commission members complimented the project team for its preference for the smallest of the candidate locations. Among the sites analyzed, they expressed support for the small triangular park at Louisiana Avenue and First and C Streets, NW, commenting that this site would fit within a thematically related series of memorials extending north from the recently dedicated American Veterans Disabled for Life Memorial, past the Grant and Peace Memorials toward this location.

The Commission members appreciated the opportunity to provide comments and look forward to review of a formal site proposal. As always, the staff is available to assist you with the next submission.

Sincerely

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