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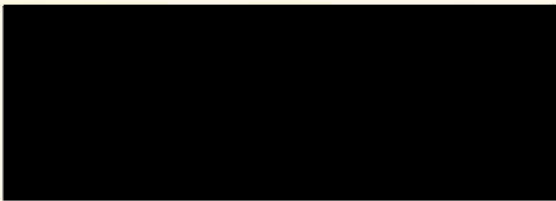
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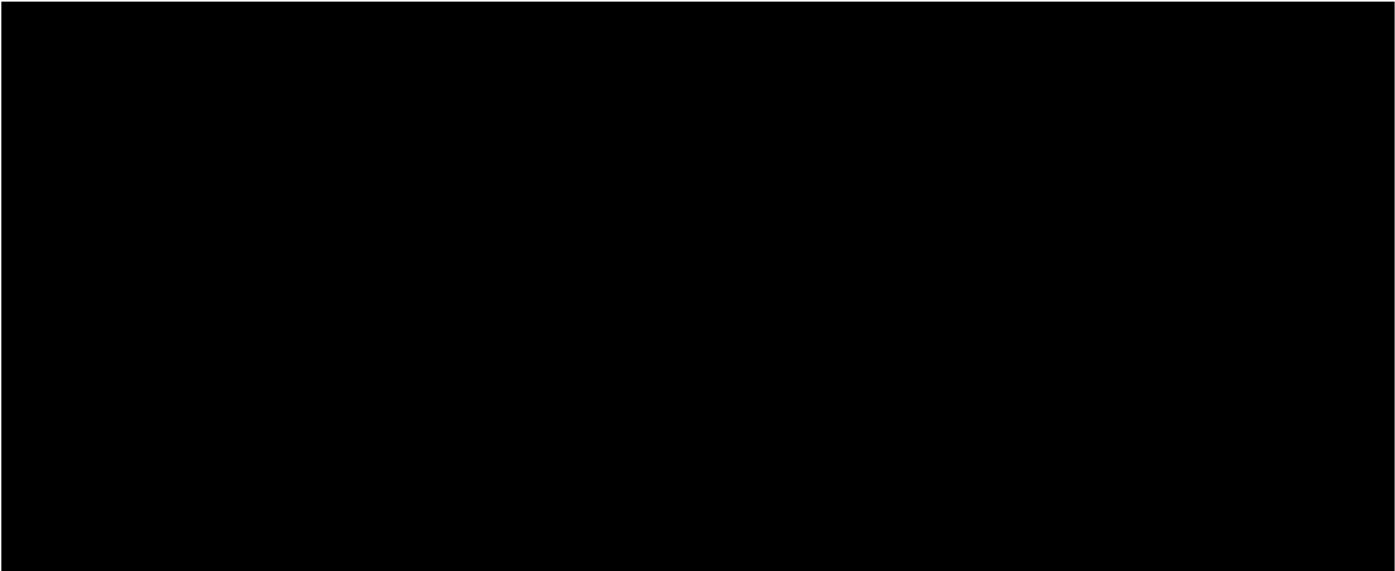
To whom it may concern,

I write today in support of the CGI Merchant Group and their conversion of the Trump Hotel in Washington D.C. into a Waldorf Astoria.

CGI is well known in my [REDACTED] as their team purchased the [REDACTED], now known as the [REDACTED] and count various local members of the community among their investors and organization. Their conscientious rejuvenation of this [REDACTED] property has helped improve quality of life in the area, and their business has also aided in job creation and served to further energize our hospitality industry.

Thank you for your consideration.





January 2, 2022

Re: CGI Merchant Group DC Acquisition

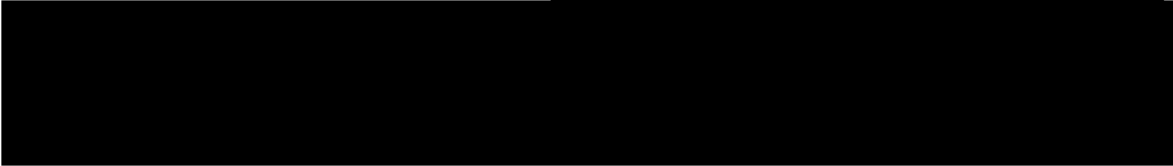
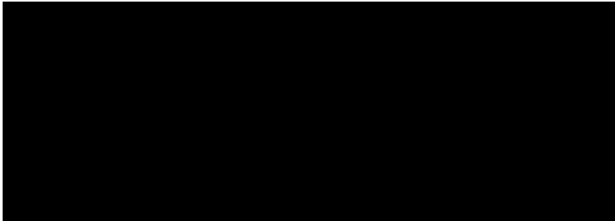
To Whom it May Concern,


I am writing express my support of CGI Merchant Group and their recent acquisition in my former hometown of Washington D.C. It is my understanding that CGI is currently in the GSA due diligence process, and having direct knowledge of their operations here in South Florida, I am confident that there will be no issues with their purchase in our nation's capitol.

CGI recently acquired the [REDACTED], a significant [REDACTED] property [REDACTED] [REDACTED] here in my [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] project has generated countless jobs for the community and has already become both a notable destination and economic driver for our local tourism inventory. I am confident that the level of class and professionalism dedicated to the [REDACTED] along with the respect shown to the [REDACTED], will be duplicated in their property and operations at the newly-purchased hotel in Washington D.C.

Thank you for your consideration of this correspondence. If needed, please feel free to contact my office at any time.



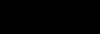


Sincerely,



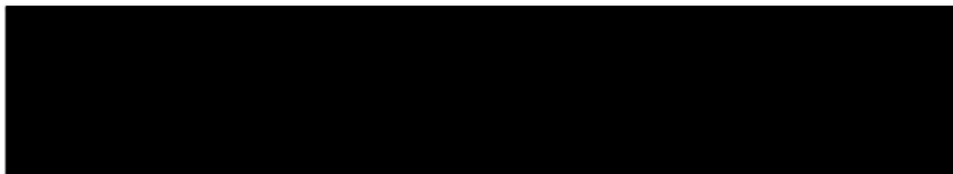


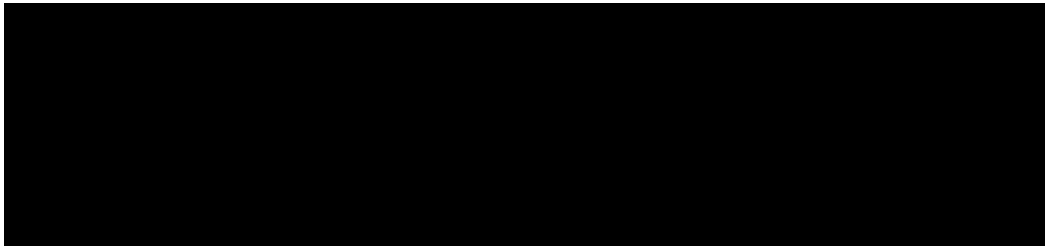
January 10, 2022

To whom it may concern,

 is a leading hospitality management company which currently operates more than  hotels and approximately  rooms around the world. Highgate currently serves as hotel manager for , which is owned in part by CGI Merchant Group and its affiliates.  has a good working relationship with the applicant and strongly supports its bid for approval to convert the Trump Hotel to a Waldorf Astoria at 1100 Pennsylvania Ave in DC.

Regards,





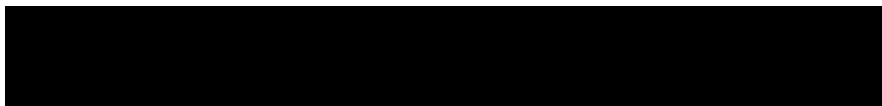
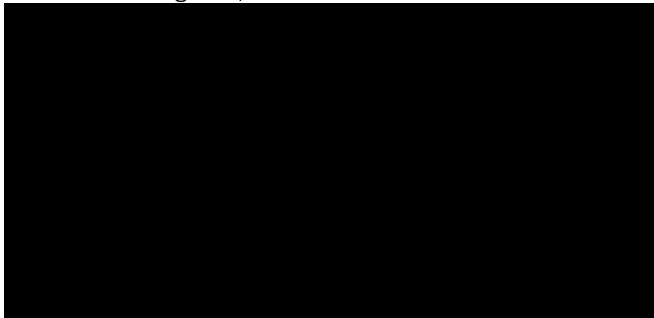
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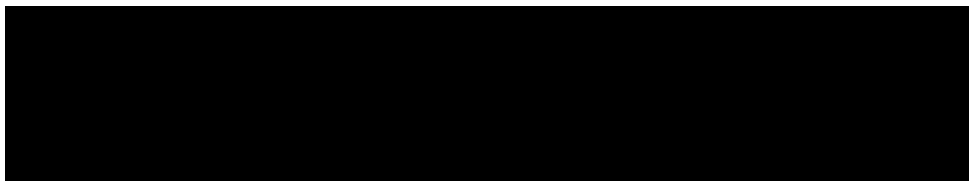
To Whom It May Concern,

I am happy to write this letter of recommendation for CGI Merchant Group concerning their recent acquisition in Washington D.C. with the pending purchase of the Trump Hotel. We are of the opinion that this hotel will make an exceptional Waldorf Astoria.

[REDACTED] is the management company for [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]. We have enjoyed a strong working relationship with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Vice President of Hospitality Asset Management, and the team at CGI. I am confident they will have great success in this new endeavor.

Best regards,





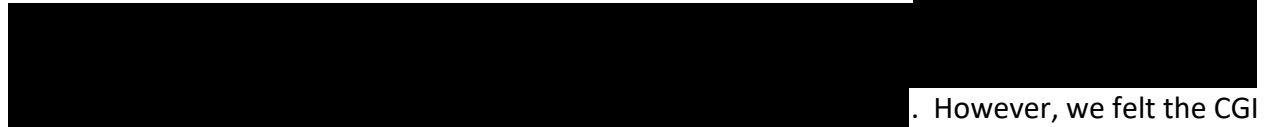
January 18, 2022

General Services Administration
GSA Building
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To whom it may concern:

I write this letter in support of CGI Merchant Group in connection with their acquisition of the Trump Hotel in Washington, DC and planned conversion into a Waldorf Astoria.

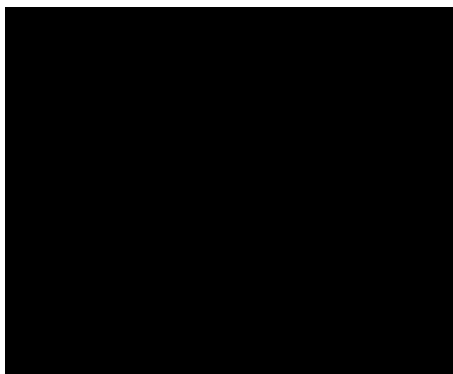
I have known Raoul and his team at CGI since the summer of 2019.




. However, we felt the CGI team was great to work with, as they were responsive to all of our requests, fair and commercial in negotiations and fulfilled all of their obligations. In particular, Raoul was steadfast in his commitment to the hotel and he was determined to exit the pandemic with his investment in a stronger position than when it began. He worked tirelessly to reposition the property through a capital improvement plan, new property management and enhanced food & beverage concepts. Despite the hotel only having been re-opened for a few months, CGI was able to refinance our loan without any issues.

Overall, we enjoyed our experience with CGI and would continue to lend to them again in the future. We are in full support of CGI's acquisition and believe they will be valuable members of the District's hospitality community. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,







January 15, 2022




Re: CGI Merchant Group D.C. Acquisition

To Whom It May Concern,

It is my pleasure to write this letter in support of CGI Hospitality Fund's acquisition of the ground lease associated with the Trump International Hotel Washington D.C.

 has worked closely with CGI and their Hospitality Fund, in connection with the 


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We are excited about the impact that CGI has created in , in support of 
. We wish great success to CGI in this new endeavor and fully support them in their efforts to receive authorization to own the Trump International Hotel at 1100 Pennsylvania Ave. in D.C.

Thank you for your consideration of this correspondence. Please contact me should you have any questions.

