



City of Charleston

Joseph P. Riley, Jr.
Mayor

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Dr. Eugene A. Laurent
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Dear Andy:

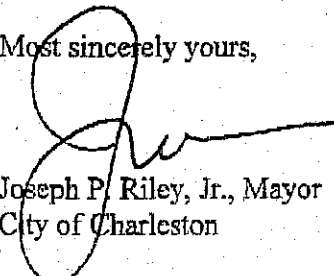
I am writing in support of the nomination of the Douglas Company's **Kings Crossing Apartments** for a 2006 South Carolina Housing Achievement Award. This development is a model combination of elements important to urban areas: the redevelopment of a contaminated property (the White Swan Dry Cleaning site) and the provision of affordable housing.

The Douglas Company leveraged multiple funding sources, including the City of Charleston's general funds, to make this lovely housing a reality. These apartments address a critical need in Charleston—rental units affordable to lower-income residents. These units are restricted to seniors, a population that particularly needs safe, decent, and affordable housing.

Kings Crossing is a valuable addition to our community, and I am pleased to recommend this project for a Housing Achievement Award. With warm regards,

I remain,

Most sincerely yours,


Joseph P. Riley, Jr., Mayor
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