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Chair and Members of the Town Planning Board  
c/o The Secretary of the Town Planning Board  
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Honourable Chair and Members of the Town Planning Board,

**Re: Section 12A Application No. Z/H8/2 regarding ex-Government Supplies Department Depot, Oil Street, North Point**

We are writing regarding the captioned planning application to express our support for the rezoning proposed by Designing Hong Kong Harbour District. The existing zoning proposals are well out of date and need to be amended to better reflect public aspirations for the development and use of such sites on the waterfront.

While we make no specific comment on the design aspects/development of the site, we believe the application appropriately takes into account the Harbour Planning Principles and Urban Design Guidelines for harbour-front sites, and by doing so provides for a much needed public open space on the harbour-front in the heart North Point, a District that lacks urban open space.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your consideration of our comments, and to encourage you to join us in our commitment to realizing a world-class harbour by careful and creative land use planning along the harbour-front, aligned with the Harbour Planning Principles.

Yours sincerely,



Dr. Andrew Thomson  
On behalf of the Harbour Business Forum