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Statement Regarding Selection by Washington, D.C., Government for Inclusion in City's Response to Amazon HQ2 RFP

Washington, D.C. / October 16, 2017 — The following joint statement was released today by the NoMa Business Improvement District and Union Market stakeholders in response to being chosen by the District government for inclusion in the city's response to the Amazon HQ2 RFP:

Washington, D.C., is a dynamic, diverse, and growing city with global reach and influence. NoMa/Union Market sits at the heart of it all and is the epicenter of growth here.

We are thrilled to be selected as one of the District's offerings for Amazon's HQ2 RFP — but not surprised. Extraordinary transportation assets, great infrastructure, modern buildings that meet the highest sustainability standards, and a savvy set of property owners committed to quality and community have led scores of companies and organizations, large and small, established and startup, to make the NoMa/Union Market area their home.

These same attributes have contributed to the astonishing rise in the number of young, creative, and highly educated people choosing to move here, turning NoMa/Union Market into the city's fastest-growing neighborhood.

We invite Amazon to experience this incredibly fun, unbelievably dynamic community and join us in making the NoMa/Union Market area, the District of Columbia, and the world even better.

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About NoMa

NoMa is a vibrant, growing neighborhood in Washington, D.C., nestled among Union Station, the U.S. Capitol, Shaw, Union Market, and the H Street NE corridor. Already, NoMa has more than 18 million square feet of commercial and residential space, and almost 40 percent of NoMa's office space is home to private-sector tenants, including major media, technology, and think-tank organizations. Each day, more than 100,000 people are out and about in NoMa's commercial core. Through a public-private partnership with the D.C. government, the neighborhood will soon have great new parks and public spaces—an important development, as NoMa now contains 4,800 new apartments, and more than 54,000 people work here each day. NoMa is also the District's most connected neighborhood, with a Walk Score of 94, stellar cycling infrastructure, unparalleled rail options, two Metro stops, and vehicular access to major highways. The NoMa BID organizes dozens of free community events each year and also offers the District's only free, outdoor WiFi network. For more information about NoMa, visit nomabid.org and sign up for our bimonthly newsletter. Follow us on Twitter ([@NoMaBID](https://twitter.com/NoMaBID)) and Instagram ([@noma.bid](https://www.instagram.com/noma.bid)), and like us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/noma.bid).

About Union Market

The Union Market District, located a short walk from the NoMa/Gallaudet metro, is a 45-acre district that is planned for over 8 MSF of development. Since Edens' opening in 2012, the Market has a clear vision to redevelop the district into one of DC's most vibrant, diverse and thriving neighborhoods — a living laboratory for a sustainable urban community and place for creative minds and businesses to connect, thrive, and make DC their own. Since opening in September 2012, The Market at Union Market, the acclaimed food market with over 40 local artisans, now averages 15,000 visitors per weekend and has hosted over 400 events. For more information about Union Market, please visit unionmarketdc.com.