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**To** Chi Anunwa, Co-Chair & Sumathy Kumar, Co-Chair **New York City Democratic Socialists** 

Dear Comrades,

It has come to our attention that several non profits involved in the HPD Third Party Transfer (TPT) are defining the DSA housing platform which is based on unwittingly robbing POC and Latinx from their hard-earned equity.

This letter serves as a resolution voted at the NYC Afrosoc General Meeting of October 15, 2020, requesting that the New York City DSA Steering Committee investigate the interconnections between DSA and various housing non-profits benefiting from the HPD Third Party Transfer program, such as UHAB, RiseBoro, and other entities.

This resolution also requests from our Federal elected comrades that the Department of Justice investigate how Section 8 subsidies and low-income housing tax credit are being used within all Public-Private partnerships and whether or not the developers/contractors complies by those federal guidelines with NYCHA and HPD.

This resolution also requests that our State elected comrades demand an investigation by the Attorney General into Neighborhood Restore (a non-profit organization) and how it administers the Third-Party Transfer program.

This resolution also requests that our endorsed comrades running for City Council include in their platform a solution to the lack of transparency and accountability in HPD, DHS, and NYCHA which affect primarily POC and Latinx New Yorkers.

Lastly, as members of the New York Chapter of the AfroSocialists and Socialists of Color Caucus (AfroSoc), this resolution request that the Steering Committee create an investigative task force to report on the potential conflict of interest between the DSA Working Group leadership and the housing developer/contractor non-profit/for-profit sector.

Signature of the OC members