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Dear Dermott,

The National Center for Smart Growth, Purple Line Corridor Coalition and the University of Maryland College Park offer our congratulations on your first prize win for C-SPAN's 20th annual documentary competition!

Your video, "The Promise of Langley Park" was thoroughly researched, expertly executed, and compelling. It encapsulated, in a few short minutes, the importance of the work that the various members of the Purple Line Corridor Coalition work on every day. Those issues, as you cover in your video, are at the intersection of affordable housing, local economic development, sustainability, and the importance of place and culture to local communities. Work like yours will help to persuade policymakers to center the lived experiences of residents of Langley Park in their work.

We plan to share your video widely in our networks and hope you will collaborate with us on future Purple Line efforts. Your work was of the high quality that we expect from our undergraduate and graduate students in the School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation. We encourage you to think about Urban Planning as a future career, and hope to work with you again in the future.

Regards, and congratulations again,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicholas Finio".

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