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The Finance & Audit Committees, Boards of Directors, and Management Buffalo Urban Development Corporation

In planning and performing our audits of the financial statements of the Buffalo Urban Development Corporation (BUDC), of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the BUDC's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the separate financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the BUDC's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the BUDC's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Finance and Audit Committees, Boards of Directors, and others within the BUDC. It is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Buffalo, New York March 26, 2024