

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

April 21, 2015

<u>Via E-mail</u>
Ms. JJ Fueser
UNITE HERE
243 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Ashford Hospitality Trust, Inc.

Definitive Additional Soliciting Materials Filed April 20, 2015 by UNITE HERE

File No. 001-31775

Dear Ms. Fueser:

We have reviewed your filing and have the following comments.

- 1. Please file future soliciting materials under the cover of Schedule 14A. See Rule 14a-6(m).
- 2. Please provide us with support for the following statement:
 - "UNITE HERE's proposals have won important protections for shareholders at Ashford companies in recent years: restoring the right of shareholders to initiate bylaw amendments at AHT, enshrining a majority standard for director elections, and establishing and strengthening a lead director role; restoring the right to a special meeting and a creating a pathway to board declassification at Ashford Inc.; and opting out of the provisions of the Maryland Unsolicited Takeover Act at Ashford Hospitality Prime [NYSE: AHP]."

You may contact me at (202) 551-3589 or Mellissa Campbell Duru, Special Counsel, at (202) 551-3757 if you have any questions regarding our comments.

Sincerely,

/s/ Tiffany Piland Posil

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