

Testimony: April MacIntyre
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Good evening commissioners,

My name is April MacIntyre, and I am a sophomore at the George Washington University studying Anthropology and International Affairs. I am also an intern with Campaign GW. Campaign GW is the student-run organization responsible for providing a speech outlet for those who wish to participate in campus development processes through a variety of means, including community outreach, testimonies, the twenty-eight letters you received two weeks ago, and the twenty-four letters which you see before you today.

I became involved in this organization my freshman year. What started as a desire to be a part of the process that builds and remodels buildings has now turned into a deep appreciation for the opportunities I receive to give back to the university by expressing my support. I am very happy to be able to provide my testimony for the GW Museum here tonight.

Speaking as a general student, there are two reasons why I personally am in support of the GW Museum.

First of all, my anthropology major has given me a soft spot for museums and museum studies. One of my favorite places in DC is the Smithsonian Museum of Natural History, where I have a forensic osteology lab every Tuesday. I see the GW Museum providing endless opportunities for the public and GW students to learn more about what goes into maintaining a variety of collections and creating successful museum programming.

Secondly, I am super enthusiastic about the collections that will be affiliated with the GW Museum. As a re-enactor of Pennsylvania German folk crafts where I spin flax into linen thread, I find textiles fascinating and know first hand that the public is just as interested in knowing more about their history and production as I am.

I hope you will take into consideration my testimony and the testimonies of other students and approve this project. Thank you for your time and commitment to DC, Mr. Chairman.

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