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Jeffrey Griffis
Chairman
D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, N.W.
Suite 225 South
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Board of Zoning Adjustment Appeal No. 17249/CO No. 81956

Dear Mr. Griffis and Members of the Board:

Pursuant to Section 3112.15 of the D.C. Zoning Regulations our client, the George Washington University ("University"), hereby requests Leave to Intervene as a party in the above-referenced appeal. Taken by Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2 A, this appeal seeks to revoke a decision of the D.C. Zoning Administrator to issue a Certificate of Occupancy to the Coggins Sandwich Corporation to provide a food venue service within a building located at 616 23rd Street, N.W. Our client is the owner of that building which it uses as a dormitory to house its male and female undergraduate students. The University has contracted with Coggins, and others, to provide food services primarily to the students who reside at the dormitory. These food services are also accessible to other students and to the faculty, staff and visitors to the campus.

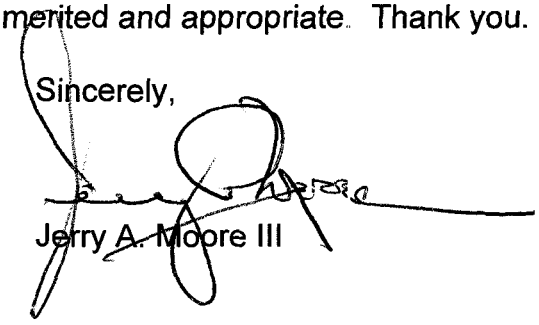
Our client's interest in this case is direct and substantial. The Zoning Administrator's decision to issue the referenced certificate of occupancy is based on his determination that the Coggins use is accessory to the principal use of the property as a dormitory. The continuation of this University campus food service is critical to the interests and mission of the University. There is no other person in this appeal who can adequately explain or protect that interest. To that end, through counsel, the university intends to submit written and oral evidence and testimony in support of the Zoning Administrator.

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In these circumstances intervention is merited and appropriate. Thank you.

Sincerely,



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cc: Ms. Dorothy Miller
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