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Mr. Jeffrey Griffis
Chair, D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment
Suite 225 South
441 Fourth Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: George Washington University Retail Facilities,
Board of Zoning Adjustment Appeal No. 17249

Dear Mr. Griffis:

The retail and food venues within George Washington University's Ivory Tower residence hall (one block from my apartment) including Coggins Sandwich Shop and Dunkin Donuts, as well as Marvin Center locations such as Wendy's, Starbucks, and a convenience store are all very important to me. Foggy Bottom does not possess many retail services and I patronize GW's establishments to make up for this deficit.

Many of the opinions expressed by ANC 2A **do not** reflect my views or that of some of my neighbors in Foggy Bottom. Because there are many elderly citizens living in Foggy Bottom, who may not be able to venture far, the University's facilities provide a great service to them.

In addition, sales tax is charged at all locations and this provides much needed revenue to the District of Columbia.

Therefore, it is only logical that the Board of Zoning Adjustment allow Foggy Bottom residents to continue to patronize GWU's retail establishments. After all, we are a free market, democracy. Such an issue should not be taking up precious time of Zoning officials.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Jachles

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