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HELLO ALL!

PLEASE STOP POP UPS AND POP BACKS!!! My reasons against them are stated below:

I just want to convey my strongest appeal to stop the pop ups and 'build backs' in my Lanier Heights neighborhood of 30 years!

I live at 2800 Ontario RD NW and my view is of the yards of Lanier Place *and sky* [also the view for 9 other tenants]. If those Lanier houses would be built up and back to the alley, all our windows would face cement walls or look into other apartments [their view would be similarly undesirable BTW!].

I am a professional artist and the loss of light would put me out of business and run me out of my affordable apartment. At 64, I cannot start over. Nor can I afford to retire! My livelihood, my life, would be ruined! This is not melodrama-it is my frightening reality!

Other people could sell up and move. [Just what the developers are counting on!] I, as a renter, would be homeless. Everyone claims to support 'affordable housing'. Why destroy ours???

PLEASE do not allow this to happen! Change the zoning and save Lanier Heights! And in the meantime *establish a moratorium on further destruction.*

Others have spoken of preserving quality of life, healthy environment, green space, ability to grow a garden or avail themselves of solar energy. I support all this. AND I want to preserve the diversity, art and culture that makes this neighborhood desirable. ALL that will be destroyed if Lanier Heights is turned into luxury condominiums!

BUT, I AM ALSO PLEADING FOR MY LIFE!!!!

Thanks in advice for acting to stop this destructive practice,

Virginia Daley

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District of Columbia
CASE NO. 15-09
EXHIBIT NO. 16

Our neighborhood is not the only one that does not want to be ruined by 'developers':

Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
CASE NO.18297
EXHIBIT NO.16