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Re: BZA Case 18967, 5401 16th St NW

Dear Zoning Board:

I write you today to follow up on a previously filed ANC report by ANC 4C in the matter of the special exception request for the Buddhist Congregational Church, located at 5401 16th St NW.

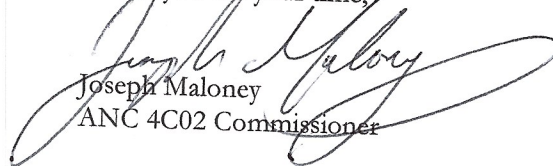
After many spirited discussions with the neighborhood and an in-person meeting with Church leadership that occurred on June 23, the community has decided to allow the ANC 4C formal and previous protest stand. In sum, we continue to oppose the request.

I want to take the time to commend Church leadership for their willingness to now work with the community, and I sincerely hope that spirit remains despite our decision to continue to stand in opposition to this expansion of the Church's facility.

Mainly, we firmly believe that this property, which only has ingress and egress through a residential alley, is simply not meant for such a large structure. In the 16th St NW overlay, our community is burdened with 44 institutions – churches and schools mostly. These institutions are by and large well respected and viewed as community stewards. However, that sentiment does not preclude the community's ability to act in the best interests of the neighborhood when presented with large expansion plans on specific properties that in no way are in a position to manage their increased effects on the neighborhood.

We fully stand committed to continue to work with the Church to solve their traffic enforcement problems on worship days, and no matter the Board's decision in this matter, we will respect the needs of this institution, as we do with the 43 others in our neighborhood, and seek to find common ground to address mutual concerns.

Thank you for your time,


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