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Re. Case Number 04-36: *Dorchester House Associates*

Dear Chairperson Jerrily R. Kress and Members of the Zoning Commission:

My name is Theodore Fuller, and I am a long-time resident of 1662-A Euclid Street, NW in Adams Morgan. I am writing to express my strong opposition to the Planned Unit Development proposed by the Dorchester. While I agree that the existing parking lot needs attention and some sort of development, I am concerned that the Dorchester House Associates' current proposal is simply too large, too intensive, and much, much too tall for this location. While the current Dorchester building has a 16th Street address, this new proposal would front 17th Street, a much narrower and congested residential side street.

Allowing the Dorchester to build so much higher and denser than what they could do as a matter of right will negatively impact me personally, my neighbors and the quality of life for all of us in the immediate and surrounding areas. Our streets are already quite congested, and parking is nearly nonexistent. Traffic backs up onto our residential side streets during rush hour, and the main traffic arteries surrounding our neighborhood are already severely congested. This proposal would only make it worse. The physical impacts of the proposed building on the immediate and adjacent blocks would also negatively impact the general aesthetics of the neighborhood. The building itself would dwarf its neighbors – of which I am one – and would be simply too large in a neighborhood consisting of low rise buildings and townhouses.

I strongly encourage you to oppose this application, and to instead direct the applicant to come up with a proposal that better fits the scale of the neighborhood. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Theodore Fuller

cc. Council Member Jim Graham
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C
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