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Re: Case No. 05-26 (2950 Tilden Street, NW)

Dear Madame Chairman:

My wife and I are homeowners at the above address. We are writing to express our strong opposition to the construction of a high-rise housing unit on this site.

We are against the project for the following reasons.

- The proposed building is too large and is visually incompatible with a residential neighborhood.
- The large number of people who will reside there will increase traffic in a residential neighborhood that is already overwhelmed with traffic.
- There will be no buffer between the new building and the houses across the street. We asked Clark if it would agree to improve the Tilden median strip to create a more effective buffer. They declined to consider this.
- Clark trashed the median strip by illegally using it as a staging area when they build 3883 Connecticut. The Zoning Commission should not consider Clark's application until Clark remedies the harm that it has done to the neighborhood.
- Our neighborhood is a small neighborhood of less than 100 houses. We have already paid our dues by being imposed upon to support a large number of institutions. The large number of institutions threatens the residential nature of our neighborhood. We are near if not beyond the tipping point of destroying the neighborhood. The neighborhood should not be further degraded.
- The idea that Clark is benefiting the neighborhood by making a token contribution to Pierce Mill is an insult to the neighborhood and to the intelligence of the Zoning Commission.
- Clark previously told the neighborhood that if would build townhouses on this site. Clark cannot be trusted to keep its promises.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,


John Dougherty

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