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Ms. Carol Mitten, Chairperson  
D. C. Zoning Commission  
441 4<sup>th</sup> St., N. W., Second Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20001

**Re: Zoning Commission Case No. 05-42-PUD and Zoning Map Amendment**

Dear Chairperson Mitten and Members of the Commission:

We have been patients at Sibley Hospital and have had family members treated in the emergency room and as inpatients and outpatients at Sibley. For a number of years, we have been volunteers there. In short, we have some knowledge of the operations of that hospital.

This letter is to express our strong support of the PUD and Zoning Map amendment application regarding Sibley Hospital's proposed construction of a medical office building. We believe that the medical offices and the accompanying parking garage proposed by the applicant are necessary for the continuation of Sibley's mission in our city and nearby suburbs. Sibley provides services in this area which are not provided by other hospitals. Sibley's outreach and as well as its excellent medical services are unique and make for a stronger community.

As residents for almost fifty years, we appreciate the value of a hospital like Sibley. This value will be greatly enhanced by the addition of a medical office building. The proposed use of the new building for doctors' offices and related medical uses, such as blood work and x-ray clinics and a pharmacy, is entirely consistent with the medical services that Sibley presently provides.

We are excited at the prospect of the on-site convenience and accessibility of a medical office facility and its related services. Far from being a commercialization of the neighborhood, it is a logical complement to the first-rate medical services already provided at Sibley. This project will enhance the quality of life and well being of the neighborhood. We urge the Commission to grant its approval.

Sincerely yours,

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