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Carol Mitten  
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Dear Ms. Mitten:

I am writing to express my concern about the Sibley Hospital office building rezoning decision (Case #05-42.)

As a resident of the Palisades neighborhood and a homeowner on MacArthur Boulevard I am extremely concerned about the impact of Sibley Hospital's proposed office building's impact on our community. Increased traffic loads of 5,000 car trips to and from Sibley would create a safety hazard for pedestrians. As you may be aware, recently a resident was killed by a hit and run driver on MacArthur Boulevard.

Additionally, thousands of additional cars would dramatically increase noise and air pollution. We already have our share of noise from airport traffic.

Sibley Hospital's proposed office building appears much too large. Why does Sibley need such a large facility? How many doctors are interested in moving to the proposed location when many doctors have left the District of Columbia due to high malpractice costs? Further, there are several other medical offices in the area. Why doesn't Sibley care about its impact on the surrounding community?

Please heed the concerns of the people who live in the neighborhood and who care about preserving our community for families.

Sincerely yours,



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District of Columbia

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