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Ms. Carol Mitten, Chairperson  
D.C. Zoning Commission  
441 4th Street, N.W., Second Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20001

**Re: Zoning Commission Case N. 05-42-PUD and Zoning Map  
Amendment, Letter of Support for Sibley Hospital Project**

Dear Chairperson Mitten and Member of the Commission:

The purpose of this letter is to express my strong support of the PUD and Zoning Map amendment application regarding Sibley Hospital's proposed construction of a medical office building. It is my belief that the medical offices and accompanying parking garage proposed by the applicant are entirely appropriate for the site and will not negatively impact the Palisades neighborhood.

I have been a resident of the Palisades neighborhood for over 50 years and my family and I have used the facilities of Sibley Hospital many times over those years. I believe that the addition of a medical office building to Sibley's hospital campus will provide significant benefits to the residents of this community. I believe that the proposed use of the new building for doctor's 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 and the services that myself and my family have previously used and would use at Sibley in the future.

Along with many of my neighbors, I want to see Sibley continue to thrive at its current site, and look forward to the on-site convenience and accessibility of a medical office and its related facilities. I consider the proposed structure to be a logical and consistent complement to the first-rate medical services already provided at Sibley.

I believe that this project will enhance the quality of life and contribute to the physical health and well being of the Palisades neighborhood. I urge the Zoning Commission to grant its approval.

Respectfully..

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