

Petworth Holdings, L.L.C.
c/o John C. Formant, Inc.
225 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20003

Re: 4136 Georgia Avenue, N.W. PUD, Zoning Commission Case No. 06-02

Dear Mr. Formant:

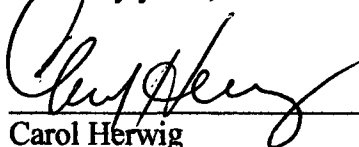
On behalf of the Upshur New Hampshire Taylor and Shepherd Streets Association, I write to acknowledge Petworth Holdings, L.L.C.'s offer of a donation of \$100,000 to Clark Elementary School and Petworth Recreation Center and to express our willingness to accept the donation on behalf of the community. We will assist Petworth Holdings to administer the contribution to these two important community institutions. This contribution will provide a public benefit by covering costs for renovating and re-equipping the computer room at Clark Elementary School with new equipment, computers, and a smartboard and for improving and upgrading the computer room with new equipment and software and/or purchasing new recreational equipment, including a basketball court and field hockey equipment, at the Petworth Recreation Center.

In addition to providing Clark Elementary School and Petworth Recreation Center with a direct benefit, the proposed PUD and Zoning Map Amendment benefits the larger Petworth community in the vicinity of the project. We sincerely express our support for the approval of this project. This project has the potential to greatly bolster the economic health of the nearby Petworth neighborhood. The project is located in a long-neglected, yet prominent area of the District. The current gas station negatively affects the nearby residential neighborhoods and contributes to a sense of disinvestment in the immediate community. The proposed mixed-use development will provide new living options, new retail options, and an improved land use. The tax revenue generated from both the housing and the retail uses will be a substantial increase over what the City now receives. This tax revenue can, in turn, be reinvested in the community to provide additional services, transportation, or housing. Undoubtedly, the proposed project would encourage other similar investments in this neighborhood.

We understand that this donation is conditioned on the approval of the PUD. We also understand that this donation will not be provided if the applicant does not obtain a building permit and begin construction thereon for the PUD.

We stand behind Petworth Holdings, L.L.C. in its endeavor to develop this property.

Sincerely yours,



Carol Herwig

**Upshur New Hampshire Taylor and
Shepherd Streets Association**

cc: Carol Mitten, Chairman, D.C. Zoning Commission