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Carol Mitten, Chair
Zoning Commission
441 4th St., N.W.
Suite 200 South
Washington DC 20001

Re: *2006 GWU Campus Plan*
Case Nos. 06-11 and 06-12

Dear Chairperson Mitten:

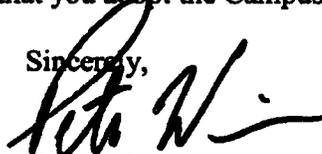
I write to express my support and excitement for the 2006 George Washington University Campus Plan. I live (Forest Hills) and work (Watergate) in the District of Columbia, and I am also an alumnus of The GWU Law School.

I am a firm believer that universities must continue to grow in order to maintain and enhance its level of services. GW should be commended for embracing this challenging endeavor, one which is necessarily wrought with much anxiety and uncertainty. By doing so, GW will continue to attract top-tier students and faculty. For instance, the new residence halls will certainly be an attraction to all prospective students. Its planned classrooms will also attract technically-savvy students, and the Science Center will allow GW to provide cutting-edge research. Many of the GW alumnus, such as myself, will remain in the District for years to come as productive residents and workers.

The Foggy Bottom community in which I am employed has benefited from having GW, where it has been rooted since 1912. GW boosts the economy through its students, faculty and staff, and contributes to the neighborhood being a well-regarded community. The Campus Plan will further advance these benefits by offering additional retail along the I-Street corridor and enhancing the public environment through streetscape improvements. The Campus Plan is highly respectful of the Foggy Bottom community -- by concentrating the new developments in targeted locations at the core of the campus, and away from surrounding residential areas.

For these and other reasons, I urge that you adopt the Campus Plan.

Sincerely,



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