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Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia One Judiciary Square 441 4th Street NW, Suite 210 South Washington, DC 20001

Re: 5220 Wisconsin Avenue NW, Case No. 06-31

Dear Members of the Commission:

I am writing as a 27-year DC resident and parent of two DCPS students to express my support for the proposed Planned Unit Development at 5220 Wisconsin Avenue.

The District needs to concentrate density near our multi-billion dollar investment in Metro. We need to provide housing opportunities that allow people to reduce their reliance on automobiles. The District also needs to ensure that there are housing opportunities for all incomes in all communities. There is an extreme shortage of affordable housing in Friendship Heights/DC.

I support this project for several reasons, including:

- the Akridge Company has committed to LEED certification for this project.
- neighborhood-serving retail will replace a used car lot.

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- three existing curb cuts along Wisconsin Avenue will be removed to promote pedestrian safety.
- two Zipcar/flexcar spaces will be added to the neighborhood

As a DCPS parent, I believe that all new development will potentially impact the public schools and should pay impact fees to the schools or the school system. While I appreciate the \$100,000 contribution to Janney, the District and DCPS should do a better job of extracting benefits from development.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Vandivier

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