

4605 46th Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20016

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

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

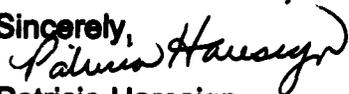
Dear members of the Commission,

I am writing a letter in support of the Akridge Company's P.U.D. Application for 5220 Wisconsin Avenue, NW. The proposed project would replace a used car lot and one story building with a new mixed-use building with ground floor retail, upper floor residential, and below grade parking. Currently, the existing site makes no positive contribution to the city or the immediate neighborhood, given the site's proximity to the metro. The site is underutilized and I am happy to see the potential for appropriate growth and densification of Wisconsin Avenue. I see no problem with the proposed seven story height that Akridge has proposed.

I have lived in the neighborhood for 22 years and what has kept us in the neighborhood is the fact that metro is so accessible to us; our adult children use it daily in their travels to school and work. Our oldest sons' friends from college are drawn to the neighborhood for this very reason.

I think Akridge is also making the effort to reach out to the immediate neighborhood by offering benefits to the immediate community, the elementary school, senior housing, senior services and creating a percentage of affordable housing units and upgrades to the existing PEPCO substation. They have also stated they are committed to building a LEED certified building which will improve environmental impact.

I encourage you to rule favorably on this proposed project as well as other efforts to create greater densities around metro stations in NW DC.

Sincerely,

Patricia Haresign
Resident, 4605 46th street

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