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February 6, 2009

RE: PUD Case No. 08-15

Dear Chairman Hood,

This is to let you know that we strongly support the Friendship-Macomb SC Inc, (Giant Foods) PUD Application (PUD Case # 08-15) for an upgraded and modernized grocery store, with its associated new retail, commercial, and residential facilities.

We have lived at 3618 Porter Street since 1978 and we are familiar with Giant's longstanding effort to renovate its store and provide other opportunities and benefits that will revitalize this neighborhood. We have attended several public meetings sponsored by Giant and we have read its October 24, 2008 updated Application to the Zoning Board. We also attended the ANC 3C meeting on January 21, 2009, where the commissioners voted unanimously to support the application. The public meetings and the materials we have reviewed indicate that Giant has made substantial accommodations to satisfy community concerns related to such matters as parking, traffic flow, loading areas, and building elevation and design.

As longtime residents of the neighborhood, we have accommodated many changes over the years, including major projects completed in adjoining areas (Cathedral, McLean Gardens, Sidwell Friends School, and 4000 Wisconsin Avenue). We accept such changes as the price of living in a vibrant city, especially when they are carefully considered, respectful of the community, and offer "the right stuff." The Giant project is the "right stuff." It makes great use of an underutilized property in the heart of a neighborhood crying out for better grocery, commercial, and retail options. We and our neighbors are tired of driving elsewhere to meet our needs, and look forward to an attractive and walkable alternative.

Please support the rapid approval of the Giant project. It is long overdue.

Very truly yours,

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