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Mr. Anthony Hood, Chairman
DC Office of Zoning
441 4th Street NW, Suite 210S
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Dear Chairman Hood,

When I moved to Cleveland Park 21 years ago, my children were very small and the Giant on Wisconsin Avenue and Macomb Streets, NW equally so. Over these years, it has been only my children who have grown.

After initially trying to shop at the Giant there, (think globally, shop locally), I went "global" a few miles up to the large Safeway for more variety, ease of parking and shopping in wider aisles. Sounds ridiculous, but little things mean a lot, especially when you spend more days of the week than not at a grocery store.

For years, my neighbors and friends in Cleveland Park, for a variety of the right reasons, which I wholeheartedly support, have fought a valiant battle for expansion of this Giant supermarket, which is so needy and at such a vibrant location in our neighborhood.

I would like to go back to "my" Giant. I would like it to be bigger and better. I sincerely believe that the growth and revitalization of the store would far outweigh any negative perceptions that so many have, erroneously I believe, held onto for so long.

Now is the right time and I hope that the DCZC will make this a priority in the agenda and have swift approval of PUD Case No.08-15 at the very soonest opportunity. Yes we can...

ZONING COMMISSION
District of Columbia

CASE NO. 08-15
EXHIBIT NO. 93

Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sofia Bassman". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Sofia" written in a larger, more prominent hand than the last name "Bassman".

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