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February 4, 2009

Honorable Anthony Hood, Chairman
DC Office of Zoning
441 4th Street NW, Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Chairman:

As neighbors living six blocks from the Giant store at Newark and Wisconsin, NW, we are writing to lend our strong support to Giant's application for Planned Unit Development in case number 08-15.

We have lived in the neighborhood since 1984 and have raised two children here. The Giant store has been an understocked eyesore for many years and we rarely shop there. Instead, we are forced to get in our car and drive to a better store either below or above the Giant store on Wisconsin. Furthermore, the broader property is also sadly underdeveloped. It could be used to bring in more retail and more residents to help share our tax burden. The area is within easy walking distance of our home and we would welcome more reasons to walk to it.

Every effort has been made to accommodate the wishes of the neighbors and it is time to remove obstacles to the development rather than raise more of them in a misguided effort to preserve the Giant parking lot for free parking.

We urge the DC Zoning Commission to take swift and positive action on the PUD application.

Sincerely,



Nye and Katherine Stevens

ZONING COMMISSION
District of Columbia

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EXHIBIT NO. 99

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