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

Re: Giant Redevelopment PUD Case No. 08-15

Dear Mr. Hood:

I am writing to express my full support of the current plans for the Giant Food redevelopment. I've lived in McLean Gardens for the last 15 years and while I do occasionally shop at the Giant, it does not meet my needs as a grocery store. Luckily, I have a car and have the option of driving elsewhere to shop, but my guess is that many people in the neighborhood do not. I feel that the neighborhood needs and deserves a decent grocery store. In addition, the empty Murphy's store on Wisconsin Avenue is an eyesore. Only the graffiti artists have benefited from the store being empty.

I understand that a very small number of neighbors have some issues with the current plans (parking, trucks, etc.). I only live a few blocks away from the Giant and I don't feel that any of these issues is a problem for me. Please do not let a handful of residents stop or delay a project that is long overdue and will benefit hundreds, even thousands, of people.

The project will only bring positive changes to the neighborhood. I can't wait for the day where I have a first-rate grocery store and more shops and restaurants within walking distance. Please approve the Friendship-Macomb SC Inc. (Giant Foods) PUD case no. 08-15 as soon as possible and give our neighborhood amenities it needs and deserves!

Yours truly,



Mark Lilian

ZONING COMMISSION
District of Columbia
CASE NO. 08-15
EXHIBIT NO. 114