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Mr. Anthony Hood
Chair
DC Zoning Commission
441 Fourth St. NW
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Dear Mr. Hood:

I am writing as a 42-year resident of Cleveland Park in support of the Stop & Shop/Giant's PUD application to the Zoning Commission scheduled for hearing on Thursday, February 19, 2009. We have been involved with this issue for over a decade. It is now time at act, and act in the best interests of our larger community.

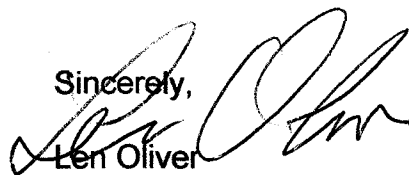
Too often, a small group of well-organized citizens serves to block progress. This is what has happened with the Giant proposal, and which continues to this day. The vast majority of our community, as evidenced by the growth of the organization AWARE (Advocates for Wisconsin Avenue Renewal), wants this project to proceed.

We have heard the arguments. We have attended the meetings. We have waited patiently over almost 10 years for the project to come to fruition. Now is the time for the Zoning Commission to move on the Giant's PUD, to proceed with the development, to make corrections as they go forward, and to finally serve the community.

We are indeed tired of the vacant buildings, of the lack of pedestrian traffic, of having an archaic store with no defining character. We need a state-of-the-art supermarket built to US Green Building standards, the proposed extension of on site parking, the active use of the wide sidewalks, the street-level retail and office space, and we will welcome the new condo and town house owners into our community.

We trust the Stop & Shop/Giant developers to serve the community by serving themselves. They will have adequate retail space, parking, and attractive development.

Sincerely,


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