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April 30, 2009

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Re: Planned Unit Development for the Wisconsin Avenue Giant

CASE NO.

08-15

EXHIBIT NO.

213

Dear Mr. Hood:

On Monday, May 4, 2009 residents and community leaders of Cleveland Park will restate their strong support of the proposed redevelopment plans of the Wisconsin Avenue Giant, located in Square 1920, Lot 813 and Square 1920-N, Lots 1 and 2 (Zoning Commission Case No. 08-15).

The community has held several meetings regarding the proposed development that will include about 140 residential units, 55,000 square feet of small retail space, and 14,000 square feet of general/professional office space. As Chair of the D.C. Council's Committee on Economic Development, I am pleased to support a transit-oriented, neighborhood project that meets the needs and truly reflects the input of the community it will serve. Since its inception in 2000, the residents of Ward 3 have clearly demonstrated how the development of a state-of-the-art grocery store will offer both neighborhood retail and much needed affordable housing options.

As stated in the resolution unanimously approved by the 3C Advisory Neighborhood Commission on January 21, 2009, the proposed height and density will not cause an adverse effect on nearby properties, are compatible with the height and density of surrounding properties, and are appropriate given the location along a major multi-modal transportation corridor. Additionally, the mix of retail, commercial and residential uses are appropriate for the site.

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With all concerns clearly outlined and addressed, I believe that the community should have the opportunity to see the proposal become a neighborhood project that moves forward to completion.

Sincerely,



Kwame R. Brown

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