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Via fax: 202-727-6072

Subject: Friendship-Macomb SC Inc. (Giant Foods) PUD case # 08-15

Dear Chairman Hood:

My name is Leah Thayer, and I live at 3403 Macomb St. N.W. I am writing to express my strong support of the Friendship-Macomb SC Inc. (Giant Foods) PUD case # 08-15.

Unfortunately, and regrettably, I am a signator of the petition being presented by Wisconsin Newark Neighbors Coalition. However, I want to be clear that I DO NOT oppose the Giant PUD. I want to see this PUD approved now and this vibrant mixed-use project to be built as soon as possible.

When I signed the WNNC petition, it was not made clear to me that I would be joining an opposition coalition. I now understand and am dismayed that I was one of many who signed it without realizing that it would be used to suggest widespread neighborhood opposition. The preamble in the petition says nothing about opposing the Giant PUD.

I have lived in Cleveland Park for more than 10 years, and I am thrilled that Giant wants to invest in revitalizing our neighborhood in these difficult economic times. I understand that there will be increased traffic, and I accept that as part of life in an urban environment. I believe that Giant's plan is more than adequate in addressing any traffic or other issues that may accompany the revitalization effort.

I write to encourage you to expedite approval of the plan and reverse the decline of a beloved but shabby block of Cleveland Park.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,



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