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Chairman Anthony Hood
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Ref: PUD case no. 08-15 (Friendship-Macomb SC Inc.)

Dear Mr. Hood:

I support the proposed development of a new Giant Supermarket and associated retail and housing at Wisconsin and Newark in Cleveland Park.

I've been a resident of McLean Gardens, two blocks from the Giant Supermarket, for almost two years. Prior to this, I lived in Glover Park for thirty years, so have witnessed the decline of the current Giant, the demise of useful stores like Murphy's and the wrangling over the fate of this block of retail space. (I've attended one community meeting and have followed the political process through the McLean Gardens listserve.)

One of the reasons I choose urban living is pedestrian access to shopping and public transportation. This new development will anchor the neighborhood and bring it new life. As I live through my sixties, it will give me confidence that I can get what I need close to home.

I ask the Zoning Commission to give swift approval to PUD Case No. 08-15.

Sincerely,



Nina Masson

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