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Mr. Anthony Hood, Chairman
DC Zoning Commission
441 - 4th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Georgetown University's Campus Plan

Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the Commission:

I write as an eight year resident of 39th Street in Burleith, first as a GU Medical Student and now as a happily married mother of a one-year-old with another on the way.

We live in close proximity to several student occupied homes and even share a wall with students at 1941 39th Street, and we have never had a single issue that wasn't resolved amicably. My husband and I make it a point to reach out to the students and establish a rapport with them such that we are comfortable discussing any issues or concerns with the students directly, and in doing this we rarely have issues that we ever need to address. We very much enjoy having the students live around us and feel strongly that the University and students are an integral part of what makes our neighborhood such a wonderful place to live.

We understand that there are residents of Burleith that do not feel as we do, and have had negative experiences with student occupied homes, which is unfortunate and sad. I would argue, however, that these experiences are the exception as opposed to the rule, and we do not feel this is an overwhelming issue in our community that is forcing people to leave.

My husband shares my views and we both support GU's campus plan, and would appreciate you giving our views equal consideration to those being expressed by people who are opposed to the plan.

Sincerely,


Kristie N. Marquis

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