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Jamison L. Weinbaum, Director
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RE: Georgetown University Campus Plan 2011-2020
Case No 10-32

Dear Director Weinbaum:

Georgetown University intends to extend Park Drive, a service road otherwise known as the Western Loop Road as part of their proposed Campus Plan for 2011-2020. This will provide a route for campus circulator buses, a use which does not seem to be in keeping with the original intent of the service road. Extending the service road will result in buses running along the crest of Glover Archibold Park as frequently as once every five minutes. While the National Park Service (NPS) is disappointed by the University's intention - the NPS does not object to the proposed master plan overall, provided that the criteria discussed below are met.

Loop Road

- The extension of the road and all associated structures, retaining walls, storm water structures, piping, etc. shall be built on the University's property and may not encroach into the adjacent scenic easement.
- Construction of all road improvements and all future maintenance of such improvements must be done from the University's property and may not encroach into the adjacent scenic easement.
- A hydrological study shall be prepared and reviewed with NPS structural engineers to ensure that all road improvement work can be done without de-stabilizing the adjacent slope into the park.
- Any retaining structures visible from the park must be clad in stone or another material agreeable to the NPS.
- Any lighting associated with the road improvements must be shielded and directed towards the University itself.
- The University shall incorporate plantings to shield the road improvements and increased traffic from the park. All such planting plans shall be reviewed and approved by NPS.
- The University shall engage an acoustical engineer to evaluate the noise levels which can be anticipated by the increased bus traffic and to develop and implement strategies to mitigate such noise.

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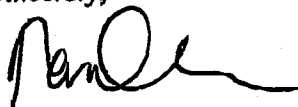
EXHIBIT NO. 99

Harbin Field House Improvements

- The University shall provide a viewshed analysis of the proposed addition/roof of over the field house.
- The University shall consult with the NPS during the design phase to minimize the height of the proposed roof and to select materials which will have the least visual impact on the adjacent park.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 202 895-6000.

Sincerely,



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