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

Re: Support for Georgetown University's Campus Plan

Dear Chairman and Members of the Zoning Commission:

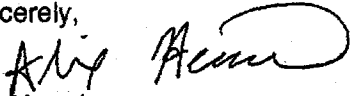
As a resident of Washington, DC, I am writing to voice my strong support for the Georgetown University 2010-2020 campus plan.

I am disappointed by the opposition of the DC Office of Planning (OP) and believe that its recommendation that 100 percent of undergraduate students be housed on campus by 2016 would be detrimental to the University and the city. As a recent Georgetown University alum, I recognize that requiring 100 percent of students to live on campus would place an undue financial burden on the University and would weaken its academic program, as well as its ability to remain the largest private employer in the city.

Respect for and integration with the community is important. I lived in the Burleith community for one year while studying at Georgetown. I had only positive experiences with my neighbors, and believe that seeing members of the city community and not just the student community on a daily basis was valuable. It is evident in the campus plan that the University is trying to find a balance with the community—by proposing to freeze undergraduate enrollment at current levels and build additional undergraduate housing, a large majority (80 percent) of undergraduates can be accommodated on campus.

I urge the Zoning Commission to support Georgetown University's campus plan as proposed. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


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ZONING COMMISSION
District of Columbia

CASE NO. 16-32

EXHIBIT NO. 163