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DC Office of Zoning

Dear Commissioners:

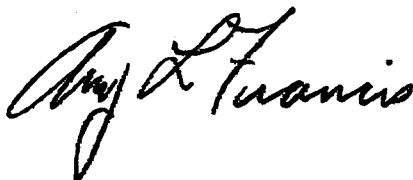
I oppose approval of Georgetown University's request for a continuance of the hearing scheduled for Monday, June 20, 2011. Commissioner Hood scheduled the Monday hearing to allow GU another chance to submit a viable transportation report. GU has had many years to prepare a credible Campus Plan that would respond to the critical neighborhood problems resulting from its past and current policies. Likewise, the University has had years to draw up a thoughtful transportation plan that DDOT could adequately review. GU has done neither. The resubmission of a plan so poorly done it could not be adequately evaluated by DDOT and without appreciable modification is a clear example of how GU has consistently responded to the neighborhoods and now to the Zoning Commission (ZC).

GU has long been disdainful of its surrounding neighbors' needs and has ignored problems that arise from its campus plans. The ZC and DDOT have made all efforts possible to ensure that GU's positions, rebuttals, witnesses and requests for submission of additional reports and information were considered. Now the University has, for a second time, submitted an unacceptable transportation report that DDOT and the parties have rejected.

A continuance would only benefit Georgetown University and its ongoing efforts to expand an already unacceptably high enrollment. A continuance would allow Georgetown University to continue its encroachment on the quality of life in the surrounding neighborhoods. It allows the school more time to continue its activities that are unauthorized and objectionable to neighboring properties. GU should not be allowed to delay the submission of a credible transportation plan. The University has had two chances and failed. Giving them more time allows more time to grow the student population, without a viable plan in place to house students on campus. The 2010-2020 Plan falls far short of addressing the vital issues affecting tax-paying citizens in Burleith and West Georgetown, and the University has proven itself to be untrustworthy over the years. If the plan has failed the review process twice, then this should be a sign that it is not a good plan and it should not be approved—end of process.

Thank you for consideration of my views.

Sincerely,



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District of Columbia
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EXHIBIT NO. 315