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**Re: Z.C. Case No. 10-32 – Georgetown University Campus Plan
Modification of the Proposed Loop Road**

Dear Chairman Hood and Members of the Commission:

At the conclusion of the last public hearing, Georgetown University agreed to file on this date its noise study for the western perimeter loop road. This is to advise the Commission that after further study and analysis the University is withdrawing from its campus plan the western perimeter loop road and, instead, is proposing an internal loop road in the center of its campus, which obviates the need for the noise study.

As the Commission is aware, Georgetown originally proposed an on-campus vehicular loop that called for, in part, a new perimeter road on the western portion of the campus. During the campus plan process this spring, the University heard serious objections to the design of this road from some of its neighbors, particularly those to the west of campus.

Georgetown's goal was to balance the interests of its neighbors with the needs of the University. Based on these concerns, the University engaged in an extensive and serious effort to revisit other alternatives over the summer. The goal was to address the concerns of both the neighbors to the west of campus who objected to the design of the loop road, and the desire of neighbors in West Georgetown to minimize the bus traffic on residential streets.

Georgetown is now no longer pursuing the Loop Road as proposed in the campus plan filed in December 2010. Instead, the University has identified a new location near Harbin Hall in the center of campus for the bus turn around. The Harbin location meets the University's goals of improving pedestrian safety and walkways and centralizing buses in the middle of campus. And it responds affirmatively to the interests of all of its neighbors.

The Harbin location will still permit GUTS buses to turn around on campus so that they may enter and exit campus from Canal Road. The positive transportation impacts of the

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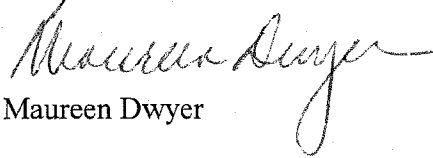
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turnaround, which will minimize bus traffic on residential streets in the Georgetown neighborhood, will be restated in the forthcoming revised transportation study.

University representatives reached out to representatives of OP and DDOT as well as the ANCs and other parties to this case earlier today to inform them of this modification. The University will provide a drawing of the proposed Harbin location as a part of its rebuttal presentation.

Please feel free to contact Maureen (202-721-1101) or Dave (202-721-1137) with any questions regarding the above.

Sincerely,



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