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Mr. Anthony Hood, Chair
Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, NW
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Dear Mr. Hood:

I am writing in support of Georgetown University's Campus Plan and to inform you of the support Georgetown University has provided to the youth in Washington DC through its collaboration with the Cathedral Scholars Program over the past nine years. My name is Marilyn Tyler Brown and I was the Director of the Cathedral Scholars Program from 2001 to 2008.

The Cathedral Scholars Program selects honor-roll students from DC high schools to participate in a three year summer program. The program includes academic enrichment classes to supplement their high school curricula and to help prepare them for the rigors of college as well as paid internships. The Scholars spend their mornings during the summer in classes at St. Alban's campus and the afternoons working in internships based on their desired career choices.

In the Spring 2001, I approached Georgetown University's Office of External Relations with a request to hire a Cathedral Scholar intern. A Scholar was hired that summer and every summer since. Each year, Georgetown University has provided a meaningful job experience for the Scholars in an environment that exposes them to life at a university. We have found individuals at Georgetown to be receptive and supportive of our program. This year, the Cathedral Scholar had an opportunity to work not only with staff but also with a Georgetown student on several assignments. I cannot imagine a better role model for one of our Scholars than one of Georgetown's fine young men and women.

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I truly value our relationship with Georgetown University and admire their dedication to the citizens of Washington, DC, including its youth. The university's contributions go a long way toward improving the quality of life in Washington, DC and I am in full support of its 2010 Campus Plan.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Tyler Brown
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