The Board of Zoning Adjustme
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OFFICE OF ZONING
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dear Sir,

I, Eshetie H. Yemiru a business owner at 2327 Champlain st. N.W. Washington D.C. has been dnied a permit to establish a parking lot at 2327 Champlain st. N.W. Washington DC. As you may know 18th street and Colombia rd.is one of the busiest place in the City .And due to the nature of the business going on in the area many people are being atracted to this place.

As a result of this the traffic is increasing proportionaly. As the traffic increases the business in the area enjoys the outcome and believed to be good for the City. However, the restriction imposed by D.C. Government to establish the parking lot in the area raising a serious quetion as to why the business and the residents suffer that much, while the available parking places stays vacant and land owners and business owners applying for establishment of parking lots been denied repeatedly.

According to records some businesses are closed and most becoming fragile footings now. More business failuers have occured in the last two years than at any other equevalent time, and many new businesses are being discourages mainly because of parking problems.The plan to build a parking garage on 18th st. will evntually relief the problem , but the constraction period would rather geopardize the businesses in the area unless other

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alternatives are found .We do believe ,however,the land owners and business people should be able to get a fair and reasonable answer from reglatory afairs as to whether and how they can use their property at the time of such crises.Moreover, regulation should be applied with some flexibility,taking in to account historical land use pattern and the relative value of defferent types of business in the area.

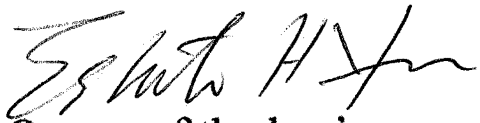
The parking lot I am intending to open will give unlimited access of use for buisnesses on 18th st.and Colombia rd, and for residents at large in the neighborhood.

Therefore, I here by requesting this office(The Board of Zoning Adjustment) to examine the problems that the business people and the community as the whole experinsing,and grant me a permit to stablish a parking lot at 2327 Champlain st.N.W. Washington D.C.

Application attached

Date,Jan 29/1998

Eshetie H. Yemiru



Owner of the business