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Re: Request for Modification To BZA Order No. #16407 (Medlink Properties)

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Ms. Sheila Cross Reid
Chairperson
Board of Zoning Adjustment
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Dear Ms. Reid:

I write to urge you and the Board of Zoning Adjustment to deny Medlink's request for modification in the above-referenced matter. In any case, I further urge you to convene a public hearing on this important issue prior to deciding the matter.

Any modification to the currently required 276 off-street parking spaces will substantially impact the ability of residents to reliably find safe, neighboring on-street parking, and be contrary to the public interest. On-street parking in and around Medlink and the surrounding neighborhood is simply too scarce a commodity to grant (tacitly or otherwise) any further exceptions or modifications for Medlink - residents have by default unfairly carried that business's parking burdens long enough.

Furthermore, I believe that Medlink has exhibited a pattern of irresponsibility and disregard of its duty to provide off-street parking space for employees and visitors, to the detriment of residents living nearby (e.g., the prolonged failure of Medlink to take steps to open its underground garage), and contrary to former BZA directives. The BZA should not now reward Medlink with another exception and ignore that blemished history.

Again, Medlink's modification request should be denied, and a public hearing before the BZA should be called prior to any final decision. Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,

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cc: David A. Clark
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