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Dear Chairperson Reid:

I am writing to express my concern that the community will not be heard as Medlink seeks to modify order #16407 and reduce the number of off-street parking spaces required for it to maintain. I ask that you call an immediate public hearing to consider how this decision will adversely affect the quality of life of my neighbors and myself.

I live on the 900 block of Constitution Ave, NE, one block for the Medlink complex. At present, the need for parking in this neighborhood is beyond capacity. Any move that brings additional cars onto these streets for parking will significantly affect our lives. Currently, my neighbors and I routinely are forced to park blocks from our homes and have all received parking tickets simply because there are no legal available spots in the neighborhood. I don't know how to express this any stronger than to say that nothing can destroy your day more than to find a $20 ticket on your car in the morning when forced to park in marginal spots because there are simply not enough parking spaces available. This is a fact of life we are forced to cope with everyday. It is a simple fact that demand for parking in this area exceeds available spots. By allow Medlink to reduce the number of off-street parking to accommodate its employees and guests will force more cars into a limited number of spots in the neighborhood making the current situation impossible.

I know that the city is interested in maintaining the quality of life of its residents and I understand that we all must adjust to the growing pains that are taking place on the Hill due to our economic prosperity. I ask that you give those of us living in the neighborhood the opportunity to voice our concerns as you make this critical decision that has an important affect on your daily lives. I encourage you to hold a public hearing at the earlier possible date.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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