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Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director, Board of Zoning Adjustment
Government of the District of Columbia
441 4th Street, NW, Suite 210
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Dear Jerrily R. Kress:

Thank you for your memorandum of 24 November 1999 informing ANC3B of Norman M. Glasgow, Jr.'s appeal, filed on behalf of Michael Sussman, of the Building and Land Regulation Administration's decision to deny a certificate of occupancy to continue operation of the Georgetown Flea Market in the parking lot of the DC public school located at 1819 35th Street, NW.

As you noted, this site is not within ANC3B's boundaries, but it is in the Commission area immediately bordering ours, and many Glover Park and Cathedral Heights residents have an interest in the matter.

Accordingly, at our regular public meeting on 9 December 1999 we discussed Mr. Sussman's appeal and request for a zoning variance. All residents in attendance and all Commissioners agreed that the banishment of the Georgetown Flea Market from its long-time site of operation would be a detriment to our neighborhood and indeed to the city as a whole. The Flea Market is a major attraction, bringing a large number of shoppers from around the city and the surrounding areas, from many other states, and indeed, in some cases, from foreign countries to our neighborhood, where they patronize not only Mr. Sussman and his vendors, but also our neighborhood stores and restaurants. Just as important, the flea market is a favorite recreational and commercial destination of many Glover Park and Cathedral Heights residents. Furthermore, we have observed, in our own frequent travels to and by the site, no negative implications of the Flea Market's presence there.

In short, we fully support Mr. Sussman's request for a zoning variance that would allow him to secure a certificate of occupancy for the site. And we look forward to his continued operation of the Flea Market there, and consequently to the preservation of an asset important to the neighborhood and to the city. We appreciate your consideration of this opinion.

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Sincerely,

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Ann Lloyd Breeden
Vice Chair

cc: The Hon. Jack Evans, Councilmember, Ward 2
Norman M. Glasgow, Esq.
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