April 10, 2000

Sheila Reid-Cross, Chairman
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW, 2nd Floor
Washington, DC 20001

Re: The George Washington University Campus Plan
Board of Zoning Adjustment Application No. 16553

'00 APR 24 P5 OFFICE OF ZONING DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dear Members of the Board:

I am writing this letter in support of The George Washington University's Campus Plan. As a business owner in Ward 2, I am deeply committed to the welfare of the Foggy Bottom neighborhood. As we all know, GW plays an important role in the District's economy and the Plan will allow the University to continue to be a force for neighborhood stability and economic growth.

The proposed plan is well designed and sensitive to the Foggy Bottom community. It is based on a careful and detailed assessment of the needs of the University and addresses many of the concerns expressed by the community. The proposed plan calls for substantially less new construction than what was approved in the 1985 Plan. Since the plan is modest in scope, I do not believe that it will result in detrimental impacts to the surrounding neighbors. In fact, given the proposed open space improvements and increase in on-campus housing, the plan will benefit the neighborhood.

I believe that GW has been a good neighbor and its presence enriches the community. The University assists neighbors and local business in maintaining the safety, beauty and charm of Foggy Bottom. The Campus Plan will allow GW to continue and strengthen its commitment to the local community.

I urge your approval of the above application.

Sincerely,

Antonio Puglisi
2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

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