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Washington, DC 20037



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March 20, 2000

Mrs. Jerrily R. Kress
Director, Office of Zoning
441 4th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mrs. Kress:

Re: Application No. 16553-George Washington University Campus Plan, 2000-2010

In accordance with 11 DCMR 3106.2, this letter serves as request for party status in the above cited application for the Foggy Bottom Association, to be represented by Eleanor M. Becker and Michael Thomas.

(a) Person's name and address: Eleanor M. Becker, 2528 I Street, N.W., president, and Michael Thomas, 2501 M Street, N.W., vice president.

(b) This letter is the formal request to appear and participate as a party in the above cited case.

(c) Position: Opponent.

(d) Will not appear through legal counsel.

(e) The Foggy Bottom Association is the 41-year-old citizens' association for the Foggy Bottom/West End area of the city, the area in which the George Washington University is located. The FBA is governed by a Board of Directors elected each year, and represents the residents of the neighborhood, all of whom are impacted by the university's activities. The FBA has also published for over 40 years the Foggy Bottom News, the neighborhood newspaper, designed to inform and receive input from the residents.

The rapid growth of the university has had serious effects on the wellbeing of the residents and on their environment and economic status. GWU's facilities, especially housing, have not kept up with the student growth, causing student sprawl into residences formerly occupied by working and retired adults, increases in noise and other disturbances, traffic and parking problems, and general decrease in the enjoyment of their homes by residents. The area has also been depleted by the taking over and destruction of numerous residential buildings by the university, which decrease the city's fragile tax base and shift the tax burden to us, the local residents.

Sincerely,

Eleanor M. Becker

Eleanor M. Becker
President

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Board of Zoning Adjustment
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