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

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

Dear Members of the Board:

I have been asked to write to you in support of the GW Campus Plan. I cannot speak specifically about the Plan, since I have not seen it, but I would like to tell you how I feel about GW in general.

I have lived in Foggy Bottom and the West End for almost 20 years and GW plays an increasingly large part in my life. I have been enriched by the courses I audit and by my use of the library; I was given excellent medical care when I had breast cancer last year; and the streets feel safe and friendly to me, at night as well as during the day, because students are out and about.

I know that many neighbors hate that GW is building new buildings, occupying old ones in the neighborhood, and generally expanding. I applaud my neighbors' efforts to encourage GW to do this in a way that is compatible with the lives of the non-GW people. However, in my experience, GW is in line with lots of other colleges and universities I know about, in finding the need to provide more services for students and space for professors, and hence to continually upgrade its facilities. I like the way GW has been doing this. The campus is becoming a nicer and nicer place to walk!

I believe that GW is negotiating in good faith with its' neighbors in Foggy Bottom. I urge you to approve their application for an updated campus plan.

Sincerely yours,

Barbara Searle

CC: Andrew Altman, Director, Office of Planning

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