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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

Dear Members of the Board:

I am a resident of Ward 2 and a neighbor of GWU since 1973. I am writing this letter in **OPPOSITION** to the above-referenced application. The proposed plan is not sensitive to the concerns of the residential community. It is totally based on a detailed assessment of the needs of the University but is at the expense of the oldest and smallest residential community in Washington. Since American University won in court regarding the location of their Law School outside of their campus boundaries, GWU has expanded as a "matter of right" outside their boundaries with reckless abandon.

Based on my personal experience they have:

1) Caused increased **congestion** by not having restrictions on non resident students having automobiles.

2) Housing their students in our residential community outside the campus borders.

3) Purchasing residences and small hotels outside the campus borders, **displacing** taxpayers in order to house their students.

4) Recently **Razing** 27 single family town homes in Square 43 which is outside the campus borders against the protests of the ANC, residents of Foggy Bottom and the recommendations of the Office of Planning (OP). OP recommended "the use of University owned structures in Square 43 for residential use in their current row dwelling form".

A Campus Plan is an exercise in futility for all concerned when they can as a " matter of right" do anything outside the boundaries of the Campus. They get what they want either way, rendering the Campus Plan a farce. The plan therefore is not modest in scope at all. It **endangers** the existence of Foggy Bottom as a residential community as we know it now.

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Do Not approve the Campus Plan until it is determined what they can do outside the campus boundaries. The Plan will not benefit the neighborhood.

Sincerely,



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