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Ms. Sheila Cross Reid, Chairperson
DC. Board of Zoning Adjustments
441 4th Street NW
Washington, DC. 20001

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Re: BZA Application 16566
Georgetown University Campus Plan

Dear Ms. Reid,

I am writing in favor of the BZA approving Georgetown University's Campus Plan as submitted.

I have been involved with GU for over 40 years now, first as a student(who lived off campus) as an active alumnus, President of the Alumni Association, member of the Board of Regents, Board of Directors and most recently as member of the Library Associates Board of the University. For all of that time I have been aware of the off-campus student housing problem and have heard University officials constantly voicing their concern for area residents who have to deal with this problem.

In their efforts to mitigate the problem the University has created the Office of Off-Campus Student Affairs, The Office of External Affairs, and are building a 730 bed residence on campus at a time in the University's fiscal history when it should not and would not want to commit the funds to a project this large.

This has been driven mainly by the desire to eliminate as much as possible the controversy and inconvenience of student housing off campus.

The University's request for admittance of an additional 500 students over the next 10 years works out to 50 students per year at the outside. Because it is a 10 year plan and because the University must be held to what it projects for a whole decade, it is simply good business to estimate on the high side to account for later contingencies. It is not, however, as I understand it, a given that 50 additional students will be admitted each and every year.

As you know of all the city universities, Georgetown already houses a greater percentage of it's undergraduate students on-campus.

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We've all heard the old adage that you can't complain about the airport noise if you buy a house in the flight path. Well, my wife and I have just bought a house in Hillandale at Georgetown as close to "airport" as you can get.

We feel that Georgetown has tried to act as a responsible neighbor over the many years that I've been involved with them and I'm banking on them fulfilling their obligations as I move into their neighborhood.

Thank you for your just consideration. I hope you will approve Georgetown University's request for an enrollment increase and an increase in the housing requirement.

Sincerely,

Paul Anthony