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VIA FAX (202 727-6072)

Ms. Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment
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Re: BZA Application No. ~~16565~~ / Georgetown University / St. Mary's Hall

Dear Ms. Kress:

The Cloisters West Homeowner's Association, which represents 109 houses and is separate from the approximately thirty houses which makes up the community known as Cloisters of Georgetown, is writing this letter to let you know that we are generally supportive of Georgetown University's proposed campus plan with the following caveats:

- We prefer that St. Mary's not be used as a residence hall. The building is directly behind some of our houses and the noise and disturbance this use would cause would be undesirable. In a letter to our Board on July 10th, Linda Greenan stated that their proposed campus plan would "designate it for administrative and academic purposes only." Since the noise level would increase even from the latter uses, we would like to suggest that Georgetown University plant trees behind the building as a barrier to this noise. This planting would also close the path that many students use on weekend nights on their way to their homes in Burleith from the area bars.

- We are particularly interested that Georgetown University be responsive when they receive complaints from the neighboring communities about those students who do not behave as

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good neighbors when they live off of the campus. Ms. Greenan makes reference to this issue in the above cited letter when she notes that the ANC "would require us to suspend students living in houses which have 'repeat violations' and/or require those students to move back on campus."

Finally, we are generally supportive of Medstar with the obvious caveat that we do not have knowledge of their definitive plans and would like to be part of the communication loop, especially on issues regarding parking and construction.

If you have any questions concerning this, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the Board. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Cloisters West Homeowners Association Board

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