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Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th St. N.W., suite 2105
Washington, D.C. 20001

RE: BURKE SCHOOL, BZA #16611

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am Virginia Worthington and I live at 2830 Upton St. N.W., one block from the Burke School. I have lived here since May 1981. My husband and I own our home. I am writinging in opposition to the proposed development project at the Burke School. Twenty years ago, we had few traffic and parking problems. But gradually the Howard and Burke students started driving more and used up more of the on-street parking. In the last five years, the activity at all of the institutions on the street has increased markedly. Traffic and parking have been a major headache most of the time including evenings and weekends, times when those who live here are at home.

This has all been difficult to live with. During the day, there is no parking for repairmen. Last winter, the man who came to fix my furnace had to park illegally on Connecticut Avenue and hike in. Evenings and weekends, It is difficult to have friends and family over since we never know if there will be parking. We are a small area of a few streets so when the parking is gone, there is nowhere nearby to look.

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The parking situation exacerbates the traffic problem since Upton is a narrow street and there are few outlets. When cars are parked on both sides of the street, as is often the case, there is not enough room for free-flowing two-way traffic. If there is a delivery truck, traffic comes to a stand still.

In conclusion, there has to be an end to this. It isn't good for either the residents or the institutions.

Sincerely yours,

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