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Ms. Sheila Cross Reid, Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
One Judiciary Square
Washington, DC 20001

ref: BZA Application No. 16643

Dear Ms. Reid:

I write to register my support for the Georgetown Flea Market's application for a variance to continue to operate the "Sales of Antiques and Collectibles" on the Hardy Middle School parking lot.

The Georgetown Flea Market is an asset to the District of Columbia, and I believe it is crucial that we balance the value of the Market with the needs of our residential neighborhoods. In that vein, neighborhood residents, including the affected Advisory Neighborhood Commission, have indicated their support for the Flea Market's operations at the Hardy School.

As you may be aware, the Market provides significant benefits to the District of Columbia beyond taxes and licensing fees. In addition to serving as a popular tourist attraction, the Market has become an established community gathering place, and an overall quality of life multiplier in the process.

I would urge the Board to view the Market's application favorably and acknowledge the wishes of the neighborhood which has supported it all these years.

Sincerely,

Carol Schwartz

Carol Schwartz
Councilmember, At-Large

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Exhibit No. 24

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