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Please replace the first page of the Office of Planning Report, dated January 23, 2001, with the attached. A revision was made to the first paragraph titled "Application" due to an error in the Section of the Zoning Regulations cited. All other portions of the report remain the same

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APPLICATION

The application by Michael Sussman for Georgetown Flea Market requests, pursuant to 11 DCMR 3103.2, a use variance to continue the sale of antiques and collectables (flea market) in the R-3 zone.

SITE AND AREA DESCRIPTION

The Georgetown Flea Market currently operates on the parking lot of the Rose L. Hardy Middle School and the Filmore Arts Center (Hardy School) at 1819 35th Street, N.W. (Square 1297, Lot 850). The school is bounded by Wisconsin Avenue and 34th Street to the east, 35th Street to the west, Whitehaven Parkway to the north, and a two-story apartment building to the south. The formal entrance to the school is along 35th Street, but access to the parking lot and the flea market is from Wisconsin Avenue. (See Attachment 1)

The Hardy School is located in the area generally know as Georgetown or Burleith and is surrounded by a variety of uses. To the east of the site along Wisconsin Avenue is a number of community serving commercial uses including a 3-story building that is currently undergoing renovations for a proposed restaurant at the intersection of Wisconsin Avenue and 34th Street. Other uses along Wisconsin Avenue include a Safeway supermarket, a bank, the 4-story National Research Council offices, and a 7-story Holiday Inn hotel. Going south along 34th Street are two-story townhouse units. To the south and west of the site, along 35th Street, is the former Filmore School that is now owned by the Corcoran School of Arts; with the remainder of the neighborhood developed with two-story townhouse and apartment units.

The Hardy School is within the Georgetown Historic District. However, there are no historic sites within the immediate area that could be impacted by the flea market.