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Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210-S
Washington, DC 20001

Re. BZA Application #16643

Dear Mr. Kress:

My wife and I, as well as several friends and neighbors in the Tenleytown and Friendship Heights areas, are "regulars" at the Georgetown Flea Market, which we consider one of the finest community-spirit-generating institutions in our city. We believe that it adds great richness to the quality of life of city residents, as well as to the many out-of-town visitors who frequent it. We also believe that it has minimal to no adverse impact on the residential community to its west, as most of the visitors park along Wisconsin Avenue and enter from that side.

Thus, we all want to lend our voices to assuring that it continues. [Frankly, I might also add that the construction of the grass track and field on what used to be a fully paved site strikes me as a colossal waste of taxpayer (or Board of Education) money—I never see it being used by students, there's a great field across Wisconsin Avenue at the Boys Club, and the formerly fully paved surface was very useful for a variety of school, sports and other activities.]

In sum, the Georgetown Flea Market is a "must save" activity, and we lend our voices in support of keeping it alive with little or no future hassle.

Sincerely,

Stephen Rattien

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PS For what it's worth, I have a doctorate in regional environmental and economic development planning, and this is the kind of public activity professionals in my field wish could be spawned in every neighborhood.

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