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Case Number 16648
Hearing Date December 19, 2000

December 5, 2000

Sheila Cross Reid, Chairperson
D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 Fourth Street, NE
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Ms. Cross Reid:

My name is Patrick Lally, and I live at 715 Third Street, NE. I respectfully request to appear before the D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment's hearing on December 19th in opposition to the BP Amoco's plans to build a gas station along the entire commercial frontage of the 300-Block of H Street, NE. On behalf of the Committee of 100 on the Federal City, the city's oldest and largest planning organization, and myself – a trustee of the Committee and an affected resident who lives within 500 feet of the proposed development – I hereby request party status at the proceedings.

I am attaching a letter signed by Kateri Ellison, Chairman of the Committee of 100, that duly authorizes me to testify before you to convey the Committee's opposition to the gas station.

Few of the District's traditional commercial corridors were damaged as heavily by the 1968 riots as H Street, NE, and even fewer have continued such a precipitous downward spiral of disinvestment. As a result, the corridor's remaining businesses, several new promising enterprises, and fragile adjacent residential neighborhoods are inordinately threatened by the construction of an enormous gas station that is wholly incompatible with needed neighborhood-serving pedestrian-friendly retail along the street. Rather than a gas station, this block must have the type of mixed-use economic development catalyst the Comprehensive Plan calls for in the Gateway. A fueling facility largely serving commuters to the central business district is eminently better suited elsewhere, and should not jeopardize a crucial part of H Street that sets the tone for future planning goals.

Sincerely,

Patrick J. Lally

Patrick J. Lally, Trustee
Committee of 100 on the Federal City

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Chairperson Reid:

This letter authorizes Patrick Lally, a trustee of the Committee of 100 on the Federal City, to testify before the Board of Zoning Adjustment representing the Committee, on the proposed Amoco in the 300 block of H Street..

Sincerely,

Kateri A.L. Ellison

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The City of New York

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