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August 18, 2001

Ms. Shelia Cross Reid, Chairperson
Office Of The Board Of Zoning
District Of Columbia Board Of Zoning
441 4th Street, NW (Suite 210-S
Washington, DC 2001

Re: Application for Special Exception by SBA
Penn Branch Shopping Center
BZA Case No: 16753

Dear Ms. Reid:

I am opposed to a proposed cellular tower in the rear of the Penn Branch Shopping Center. The tower would be obtrusive and aesthetically unpleasing in an already crammed parking facility. We are asking that you please consider the affect of this tower upon our community. It is very huge and would destroy our city scape and the value of our home. We have worked very hard to keep our community a most inviting place to live. It is indeed a most beautiful place to live and we are very unique in that we do know our neighbors and look out for each other. We are not one of those quiet communities where you find someone dead in their homes after several days. We keep check on each other. We work and play together. If this tower is allowed to be constructed I am afraid that this will be the down fall of our community. Long time citizens will perhaps resort to moving out of the community. Presently we enjoy great pride when people wonder up here and find us and are so excited about this type of community in South East. We also have a great reputation for our closeness and hard work. Because of our community spirit our crime rate is very low.

Please vote no on this proposed tower and save our community. One that you can point to with pride.

Thank you very much for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely yours.

Mrs. Gail Carter

Copy: Mayor Anthony Williams
Chairman Linda Cropp
Councilmember Chavous
Councilmember Catania
Councilmember Brazil
Councilmember Schwartz
Councilmember Mendelson

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