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Subject: **The Washington Home Application for Special Exception to Zoning Regulation Regarding Additional Parking**

The Cleveland Park Citizens Association (CPCA) has been strongly defending the integrity of zoning regulations. Indeed, this issue, along with the steady rise in local car traffic, is at the root of many of the concerns of our members. While CPCA has taken no position on the merits of The Washington Home's application, I urge the ANC3F to apply to that application the "no-adverse-effect-on-the-neighborhood" standard spelled out in Zoning Regulations for Special Exceptions.

From a parking survey* of the 4100 block of 38th Street, The Washington Home appears to be in non-compliance with the previous BZA decision limiting the parking lot to 75 spaces. If The Home regularly parks over 120 cars on its lot during the mid-day period, allowing added spaces would not only reward non-compliance, but would invite further non-compliance on a grander scale.

I urge the ANC3F to refuse to consider any application for a Special Exception from an applicant currently in violation of the Board's previous orders. To do otherwise is to encourage others to treat its orders with contempt, especially since the Board has no other way to enforce its orders.

Cordially,
George Idelson,
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**Report on Parking Survey of the 4100 Block of 38th Street (June 12, 2002). By Barbara Beeler, M.C.P., 3595 Tilden Street NW, Washington, DC 20008.*

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