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Board of Zoning Adjustment for the District of Columbia
Attention: Richard S. Nero, Jr.
441 4th Street N.W. Suite 210 South
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Mr. Nero:

Please find the enclosed completed application of Capital Vespa Inc., for a Special Exception pursuant to the District of Columbia Code of Municipal Regulations ("DCMR") Title 11 § 3104. The application consists of a completed BZA Form 2 and Form 1 BZA Certification as well as supporting documents under Exhibits A-H that directly correspond to the information requests under Paragraphs 4 A-H on BZA Form 2. Also, please find enclosed a check in the amount of $1,200 payable to the D.C. Treasurer in satisfaction of the application filing fee.

As will be evidenced by the application, Capital Vespa Inc.'s proposed use of a portion of the first floor of the property located at 2233 Wisconsin Avenue Northwest (the "Premises") for a Vespa motor scooter boutique showroom, is consistent with the general intent of the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps and will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property, subject to the special conditions outlined in DCMR Title 11 § 727 and DCMR Title 11 § 1533.

In consideration of the sensitive nature of the motor scooter dealer market and certain Vespa motor scooter supply contracts that Capital Vespa Inc., has already entered into, Capital Vespa Inc., is facing a very tight time frame to bring its business plans to fruition. On that basis we respectfully request that the Special Exception proceeding be expedited to the greatest extent possible. C. Phil Mitchell and Charles H. Betts, President and Vice President of Capital Vespa Inc. respectfully, have been successful and community oriented businessmen in the Glover Park area of the District of Columbia for over sixteen years. We are hopeful that the BZA will honor Mr. Mitchell's and Mr. Betts' commitment to the District of Columbia by approving Capital Vespa Inc.'s Special Exception application and unleashing this potentially lucrative business opportunity into the market place of the District of Columbia.

Sincerely,

Armin U. Kuder

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Exhibit No. 1

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