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1681 32nd Street NW
Washington DC 20007
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Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210-S
Washington, DC 20001

RE: BZA Application No. 16974

Dear Sirs:

I have lived for many years at 1681 32nd Street, NW. Our property line is about 100 feet from the northern property line of the "Dower House" of Tudor Place.

I feel that the new requests by Tudor Place to the BZA would have further adverse affects on neighboring properties. We already have had unacceptable levels of noise caused by their activities. We are particularly concerned with the plans for using the rear entrance on 32nd Street for service functions, which means an increase of traffic on this narrow street of tiny houses, many of which are close to the sidewalk, and have bedrooms at the front.

The parking problem in the surrounding area of 32nd, 31st and adjacent streets has been acute for many years. In days gone by, residents had guests for cocktails or dinner frequently, but it is many years since this has been possible because there is no place for guests to park. Gradually we have noticed that no one has parties anymore, and like us, they entertain at restaurants or clubs, but can no longer invite their friends and colleagues to their houses because of parking considerations.

I feel that it is unfair for Tudor Place to seek any further level of activities, as they already cause a problem for the neighborhood. If we can no longer entertain in our own homes, it hardly seems fair that they be allowed to hold functions on the proposed scale

I ask that this letter be accepted as testimony on behalf of the Friends and Neighbors of Tudor Place at the BZA hearing on Application No. 16974 on April 15, 2003.

Sincerely yours,

Virginia W. Keating

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