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REF: Application Number 17021 (Application of Estelle Goldman)

Dear Chairperson Griffis and Board Members:

I am the resident owner of a house in the Foggy Bottom Historic District and a longtime resident of the Foggy Bottom neighborhood. I am writing to voice my strong opposition to the application of Ms. Estelle Goldman to extend the hours of operation of her 7-11 Store, at 912 New Hampshire Ave., NW, to 24 hours. That 7-11 store operates by special exception in a residential zone. The property where the store is located abuts residential rowhouses on either side and is on a block occupied by numerous rowhouses and an apartment building. Currently, the residents of those neighboring houses and building are exposed to sixteen hours of aggravation (noise, trash, illegal parking and obstruction of traffic) generated by the 7-11 patrons, the majority of whom are transients from outside our neighborhood. Allowing the store to operate 24 hours a day would attract late-night vehicular and foot traffic to the area and deprive residents of the scant eight hours of respite that they now enjoy from the hustle and bustle of the store. This would do enormous and unreasonable damage to their quality of life. I therefore urge you to deny this application.

Sincerely yours,

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