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Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210 South
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Re: BZA Case 17043

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to protest a recent decision by the Zoning Administrator that would drastically reduce the number of on-site parking spaces that Medlink must provide for its visitors and employees.

Medlink is located less than one block from our home. We already must compete with employees and visitors for on-street parking and this recent decision by the Zoning Administrator will greatly exacerbate this problem. What is perhaps most troubling to me is that this decision was made without input from me or any of my neighbors. As a taxpayer and neighborhood resident, I believe that this type of decision should only be made pursuant to a public process that ensures that the needs of the neighborhood are considered before any new Certificate of Occupancy is granted to Medlink.

Furthermore, it is not clear to me why such a drastic change in the parking space requirement is warranted at this time. Such a decision seems to fly in the fact of previous decisions by the Board (the most recent one being in 1999). In fact, based on the facts that have been presented to me, it appears that a good argument could be made for **increasing** the number of off-street parking spaces that Medlink should be required to provide for its staff and visitors.

I am hopeful that the Board will take the appropriate action and revoke Medlink's Certificate of Occupancy.

Thank you for your consideration of my views.

Sincerely,

David Carlin

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