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Reference: Application 2 No.17055 filed by the Army Distaff Foundation

Mr. Griffis:

As the owner of a house located at 29th street N.W., the transformation planned by Knollwood to expand their faclities will create a series of problems.

I have lived at my present address since 1969 and for some years it was a quite residential neighborhood . Not anymore. This project will affect our neighborhood in the following way:

* The destruction of the garden atmosphere (trees removed) and replaced by parking lots and ugly constructions, the proximity of buildings against people houses looking cluttered and unhealthy,

* the noise and pollution resulting from a constant traffic

* the danger to children playing on the sidewalk

* the problems created by people parking on the front of residences if they cannot find proper parking at Knollwood

* years of construction that will bring heavy equipment (truck, machinery).

* loss of property value.

It is clear that the people living in the affected area are dead' set against it. When you consider people pay taxes and that we live in a Republic, not in a third world country, it seems to me that the will of the majority should preempt any private deal or financial interest.

Thanking you for your time and consideration.

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