December 22, 2003

6286 29th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20015

Mr. Geoffrey Griffis
Chairman
Board of Zoning Adjustment
Suite2102
441 Fourth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Application No.17055 by the Army Distaff Foundation

Dear Mr. Griffis:

We have lived in our home at 6286 29th Street, NW, for nearly thirty years. When we were looking for a house, we wanted it to be in a quiet neighborhood away from the noise and congestion of Connecticut Avenue. Our home on 29th Street near Rock Creek Park has been the haven we were seeking.

Now that we have raised two children and are nearing retirement, we would be extremely distressed by the increased traffic of workers coming to the construction site at Knollwood, the intrusion of heavy equipment and machinery disrupting our streets, and the additional traffic on all of our neighborhood streets after the building was finished.

Furthermore, since my husband and I have been public servants for our entire working lives, we do not have significant assets other than our house. When the time comes to sell it, the property's proximity to a high-rise apartment building would surely diminish the appreciated value that we would expect to receive on our investment.

We strongly oppose the Knollwood expansion proposal and urge you to reject its application.

Sincerely yours,

John T. Haifley
Julie L. Haifley

John and Julie Haifley

cc: Chevy Chase Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3/4G
Knollwood Neighbors

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