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Washington, DC 20008

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Dear Sir/ Madam,

I am writing regarding the proposed rezoning of 2152 Florida Ave, NW, case # 20305.

I agree with my neighbors, I am completely opposed to this course of action for the following reasons. The parking situation on R street is already a nightmare. There are no spaces for current residents. Traffic has soared because of the closing of S street to through traffic, and R street is taking the brunt of the overflow. There are trucks constantly driving by and through our residential neighborhood, creating noise, pollution, and a danger to our children.

Furthermore, the recent addition of a 10-unit residential house in the past year at 2126 R ST NW has increased traffic and parking concerns. The building next to the proposed building are also multi-tenant buildings.

To add to this untenable congestion and noise, we have an illegally operating Airbnb at 2123 R ST NW. We have filed complaints about this Airbnb, as the owner does not live there, but were told by DCRA that DC is not enforcing this law yet. It is not optional to enforce (or not enforce) an existing law. The Airbnb is a health hazard with Covid as many of the transients are not wearing masks or practicing social distancing.

This proposed apartment building would push this neighborhood to the tipping point, creating unacceptable traffic flow, noise, and parking shortages ... as well as damage the character of a once quiet residential neighborhood.

We urge you to disallow this rezoning.

Thank you for your consideration.



Sincerely,

Rich LaPerch