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Good afternoon. My name is Delena E. Perkins. I reside at 1-Adams Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001. I have lived at this residence since 1949. Since living here I have always known that Hillview (formerly Sunbeam Neighborhood Store) has always been our community corner store since I was a child. In fact, the store was a place where the children in this neighborhood went for snacks and our parents would shop there for essentials as meats, milk, bread, etc. The original owners were Jewish brothers and knew us children's names and so very kind and pleasant to us all. There had been various owners who took over the store and as the original owners, new all patrons shopping at the corner store. Now I understand that the new owner wants to turn this property as a full-scale restaurant. I am sorry that he is trying to turn this property as a restaurant and, I am sorry to say, this proposal is unacceptable by me and my neighboring residence.

The North Capitol Street is heavily traveled not just for the weekdays, but on weekends as well. The opening of the restaurant will significantly cause residents living in the restaurant will cause a parking problem from those who may want to patronize the business. Why should they or either in my neighborhood which is located one block down from the property.

The safety of pedestrians attempting to cross the intersection(s) would be detrimental would b them. That particular intersection has delays experienced traffic incidents (and with fatal consequences). Also, I have witnessed traffic long lines on North Capitol Street, NW that covers blocks (both sides) such as Channing Street on the unit blk and on Adams Street as well. With speeding vehicles both north and south it is a real challenge to just cross the street. Pedestrians in daylight must be ever vigilant and safety impact on restaurant patrons trying to navigate the neighborhood at night without familiarization will encounter dangerous traffic challenges both to pedestrians and vehicles .

Neighborhood continues to experience problems with rodent infestation. A full service restaurant at the Hillview Market will significantly increase the potential for more food products, garbage, trash and debris.

With these concerns, not only by me but my neighboring neighbors, we are in the hopes that ALL RESPONDENTS CONCERNS ARE TAKEN INTO SERIOUS ATTENTION AND THAT HILLVIEW MARKETS PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A FULL SERVICE RESTARANT SHOULD NOT BE GRANTED.