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Hi,

I live in Bloomingdale and am writing in support of the zoning exception request for 2324 N. Capitol St NW. I am in support of this request for the following reasons:

- (1) The neighborhood does not have many restaurants, and families could use more places to eat out that are walkable and accessible.
- (2) Parking is rarely if ever difficult in the neighborhood, except for during street cleaning (which is unrelated to restaurant activity). I live near Red Hen, and it has not impacted our parking situation at all.
- (3) The applicants have run another restaurant successfully for many years that is a good neighbor in its community and is well-maintained.
- (4) The space is currently vacant, and this would be a very good use of the property and a big improvement to the area.

Everyone I have spoken to personally is excited for and supportive of the restaurant. It seems like there is small group of loud voices who don't like new businesses opening in the area, for whatever reason. I don't think the reflect the majority view of the community.

Best,
Andrew Waks