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Dear Chairman Hill and Board Members,

I am providing written testimony in opposition to case 21177

My name is Ethan Hall and I reside at 1110 6th St NW #3, Washington DC 20001. I am writing to urge the Board of Zoning adjustment to deny the special exception relief sought by the DC Department of General Services for the proposed temporary relocation of the Central Cell Block to 501 New York Avenue NW. The construction of this cell block, necessitating special exception relief, will detrimentally, adversely, and significantly impact the neighboring properties, including the one where my family resides. This is a direct violation of the zoning regulations and maps. The increase in cells and detainees will lead to heightened traffic, noise, and security concerns that include disruptions from 24/7 use of the space by local police forces, noise pollution, increased traffic, and the safety risks posed by the release and movement of detainees that will be perilously close to my home and the daycare facility where my child is enrolled.

I ask that the board take action to maintain the character and the progress experienced by this neighborhood and its redevelopment rather than allow a return to a past condition of neglect and dangerous conditions that befell our neighborhood in previous decades.

Regards, Ethan Hall 202.487.0267