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BZA Case 21510 - Rock Creek Club - Letter of Support

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Dear Members of the Board of Zoning Adjustment and ANC 3C,

I'm writing in support of Rock Creek Club. My wife, our middle-school-aged son and I have live in Mount Pleasant for many years, and spending time outdoors and feeling connected to our community are important parts of our family's life.

What excites us most about Rock Creek Club is the opportunity to bring together nature, recreation and community less than a mile from our home. Too often, finding a place where we can be active, spend time with friends and enjoy the outdoors together means leaving the city. Having that opportunity in our own backyard would be a wonderful addition to our lives.

We are especially drawn to the community that a place like this can build. In a large metropolitan region, it is easy to live near people without really knowing them. Small, welcoming gathering places create opportunities for the repeated, everyday interactions that turn familiar faces into friends. They give children a sense of belonging, help parents connect and bring neighbors of different ages and backgrounds together.

Those connections also reach beyond the club itself. When people know one another, they are more likely to look out for each other, get involved locally and feel invested in the wider community. We see Rock Creek Club as an opportunity to strengthen those ties across nearby neighborhoods through a shared love of being active and outdoors.

Given the proximity to our home and our main modes of getting around DC, we will arrive exclusively on foot or by bike.

I hope you will support Rock Creek Club and the opportunity it offers our community.

Thank you for considering my perspective.

Sincerely,
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