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ASSOCIATION

c/o West End Library
24th and L Streets, NW
Washington, DC 20037



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Hon. Carol J. Mitten, Chair
D. C. Zoning Commission
Suite 210 South
441 4th Street N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Madam Chair and Commissioners:

Re: ZC Case 00-27M -- Request for Zoning Map Amendment -- Square 37

The Foggy Bottom Association, representing almost 500 residents of the Foggy Bottom/West End section of the city, is deeply concerned over a proposed Zoning Map Amendment that would change the base zone district of the southern portion of Square 37 (L Street, NW, between 23rd and 24th Streets) from R-5-B to R-5-E, C-2-C or CR.

Our concern, in particular, echoes that of the residents of the Tiverton apartments, one of the few moderate housing developments in this part of the city. Many of these residents are middle income earners and have lived in the building for many years. We do not want to see them removed from the community.

We are also concerned that denser development would be incompatible with the south side of L Street, which is R-5-B, and that further proposed development in the area -- the Columbia Hospital for Women condominiums, 2501 Pennsylvania and the parcel to the east of the Ritz Carlton will bring further density and traffic to this site.

Concurrently, the public library at the corner of L and 24th Streets is a valuable and highly regarded community asset, which we do not want to lose.

We hope you will give every consideration to the arguments of the ANC and the Tiverton residents opposing this inappropriate proposal.

Sincerely,

Ronald Cocome
President

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