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Re: Case No. 02-06

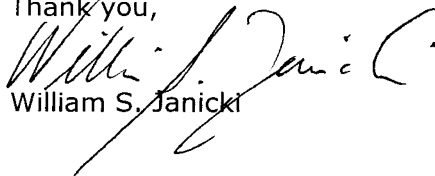
To Whom It May Concern:

The Cleveland Park Citizens Association and the local ANC have been convinced by a small group of people to oppose new restaurants in Cleveland Park. I'm not sure those people even live in the neighborhood. I have been living in Cleveland Park for almost 10 years. In all that time, I have never heard any of my neighbors say there are too many restaurants in the neighborhood. In fact, everyone gets very excited about the prospect of a new restaurant opening in Cleveland Park.

I've been told that the opposition wants to enforce an arbitrary limit on the number of restaurants in Cleveland Park so more retail stores can open. We already have plenty of stores. Cleveland Park has great shopping. What my neighbors and I want, and what we think the neighborhood needs, is more restaurants so we can enjoy Cleveland Park at night, as well as during the day. Perhaps the people who oppose restaurants think the neighborhood would be improved by turning it into an urban strip mall. I can tell you that the people who actually live here don't think so.

I'm disappointed that my local ANC and the Cleveland Park Citizens Association have fallen victim to the selfish, personal agendas of a few busy-bodies with nothing better to do than to act as spoilers. Please don't compound this unfortunate situation by limiting what my neighbors and I, the majority in Cleveland Park, want for our neighborhood - new restaurants.

Thank you,


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