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Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
District of Columbia Zoning Commission
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Dear Ms. Kress:

Zoning Commission decision 02-20 Catholic University of America Campus Plan states that the ANC 5A's concerns expressed by letter of February 11, 2003, were given great weight. ANC 5A begs to differ. The Zoning Commission held the hearing only a few days after the disastrous snowstorm, ANC 5A Commissioners, due to health and safety reasons were unable to attend, but implicit in our letter and made explicit by citizens who testified, is ANC 5A's challenge to Office of Planning unproved assumption that Catholic University students who want to live on campus, but are forced to move off because of inadequate/insufficient on-campus housing, will disperse through the metropolitan area as readily as students who freely choose to move off campus.

ANC 5A believes students, who want to live on campus place greater importance on being close to classes and campus activities, don't have automobiles, etc which make them more likely to settle in nearby 5A neighborhoods.

Accordingly, ANC 5A respectfully requests the Zoning Commission to reconsider decision 02-20. At minimum provide for reopening the campus plan before its term is up, if the decision was based on the unproved assumption of the Office of Planning.

Sincerely,

Mary Baird Currie
Commissioner, ANC-5A-06

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