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RE: Case 02-25 University of Note Dame

Board of Zoning Adjustment.

I am writing to protest the proposed development of student housing and program subject of this above mentioned case. While I am sure that the Administrators of the University are sincere in their offer to have a monitored housing program unit, I am well aware that they will be unable to implement such a plan. I have been a College Dean and University Professor, and know that the process of caring out long term control of the proposal is inconstant with the oversight ability of both administrator and faculty committees. I am also concerned that the promises of the University cannot be a guarantee that this oversight will extend to other administrations or organizations that might eventually have responsibility or take over this site.

The impact is too much for this community, not only for parking concerns, but for the overall impact of adding student housing in the community. They could also continue to ask for expansion of their facility to neighboring housing as well as other schools wanting to imitate their efforts.

All we have to do is to look at the student conditions and monitoring in Foggy Bottom to see that such a program is not a beneficial enterprise in this already high density area. Monitors that will be available at the site will be there for other purposes as well. We all know from our own university experiences that this position is usually not well attended, and it is usually not the priority of the individuals involved in these positions to be a full time effort. I hope you take these concerns seriously and deny this petition. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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