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Secretary of the Zoning Commission
Office of Zoning
441 4th Street, N.W.
Suite 210
Washington, D.C., 20001

Reference: Georgetown Boathouse (Case No. 02-30)

Dear Sir/Madam:

The proposed Georgetown boathouse is an abomination. It will be a grotesquely overblown sore of a structure on the shores of the beautiful Potomac River.

Currently the land is unzoned. Please see to it that the land remains unzoned.
There is plenty of land for this huge boathouse on the downriver side of the Key Bridge.

Construction of the Georgetown Boathouse has the potential of undermining the side of the C&O canal. There was talk of widening the right-of-way for construction traffic access. Any undercutting of the bank may cause a breach with subsequent flooding and severe damage to the Washington Canoe Club and surrounding park land.

I oppose the loss of public parkland. The boathouse will be an immense and irreversible detriment to the lives of waterfowl, songbirds, and small animals that currently live in and around the grasses and lowlands on the proposed site.

Parkland in the city is vital to the protection of animals, the preservation of views and scenery, and the conservation of valuable natural unspoiled land.

The boathouse will be a great hindrance to the views along the crescent Trail and the C&O Canal Towpath which are enjoyed daily by hundreds of passersby.

Please do not grant zoning rights to the Georgetown Boathouse. Do not allow them to build on the proposed site.

Most sincerely,

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