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Carol Mitten
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Suite 210
441 4th Street NW
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Dear Ms. Mitten:

This letter is to express my opposition to the development of the former National Park Service property by Georgetown University for the construction of a boathouse. I have enjoyed the use of the Potomac River since I was twelve years old. My specialty was flat water sprint kayaking. Over the years I spent my summers training, eventually competing at the national level. The Potomac River and the C&O Canal are a wonderful resources that serve a cross section of the regional population. As part of the C&O Canal National Park the community at large believes that his is a protected resource. What will be the response when this great community treasure is threatened? It will appear to the community as a manipulative act by a powerful university to take away an important part of this historic park – and accurately so.

Please do not allow this zoning change. Please preserve this natural and vital area for all of us, not just for the select few elite students of this exclusive university.

Sincerely,

Jeremiah Helm

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