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Carol Mitten, Chair, DC Zoning commission
441 4th St., NW, Suite 210
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Ms. Mitten:

I am writing to oppose the rezoning of the Potomac River land for the building of a boathouse by Georgtown University. I am a Georgetown alumna, a part-time DC resident, and an avid user of the Potomac River.

I love the idea of A BOATHOUSE, but not THIS BOATHOUSE. The location is wrong, the magnitude of the project is wrong, and the impact of the construction process will make a mess of the Capital Crescent Trail. The whole "feel" of the C & O Towpath in that area will be all wrong.

I beg you to do whatever it takes to persuade those in authority to leave this land untouched and allow the building of any further structures ONLY downstream of Key Bridge.

Visitors from other countries that I have hosted express amazement at the natural beauty our capital's river so near to dense development. Please let's keep it that way.

Thank you so much for your efforts on the zoning commission.

Sincerely,

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