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Alberto P. Bastida
Secretary, Zoning Commission
Office of Zoning
441 4th St. NW (suite 210)
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Bastida:

I received today your notice of public hearings on January 30 at 6:30p on a proposed amendment to the zoning code on Definition of Building Height (case No. 02-35) proposed by the Office of Planning.

ANC3D is very much interested in the subject since we believe the current ambiguities in the zoning code on permissible height of residential buildings have contributed to the proliferation of oversized, overly high new homes that are changing the character of our residential neighborhoods. ANC3D, along with its zoning task force, would like very much, therefore, to testify at the Jan. 30 meeting.

Our task force has been working on the same subject of revising and clarifying the zoning regulations dealing with permissible height of residences and how it should be measured. I think we have come up with some good recommendations, worthy of consideration by the Zoning Commission. I shall send copies of our recommendations to you long in advance of the Jan.30 meeting with the hope they can be reviewed by the commission and made part of the record.

Permit me to say that the news that the Zoning Commission is reviewing definitions of permissible building heights is greeted with enthusiasm and hope within our ANC3D community.

Sincerely yours,

John W. Finney

John Finney
Chair, ANC3D

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Exhibit 5

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CASE NO.02-35
EXHIBIT NO.5