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Commissioners:

I have collected well over 600 petition signatures of residents of Southwest D.C. who are opposed to the PUD in **Case 02-38** (Waterside Mall, now Waterfront), and will have collected still more signatures by March 31st, the date of the next Zoning Commission hearing on that case.

I intend to testify on Case 02-38, not only on behalf of myself, but also on behalf of the aforementioned signers of the petition. Because my testimony would, indeed, represent the views of such a great number of Southwesters, I asked Mr. Bastida by telephone this morning whether I could possibly be granted two minutes of testimony time in addition to the three minutes allotted me as an individual. Mr. Bastida suggested that I submit such a request to you in writing, via facsimile – hence, this communication. Please note that I'm not requesting separate "individual" and "organization" testimony time (totaling eight minutes), but simply two minutes more than the three minutes into which I have been trying, unsuccessfully, to cram a well-researched eight-point testimony text.

I request that I be granted five minutes in which to read my testimony into the record.

I'd be grateful were you to arrange for me to be notified of the disposition of my request in advance of the March 31st hearing. My email address is gsol@erols.com. My telephone number is (202) 484-1184.

I thank you for your attention to this matter.

Gene Solon Gene Solon

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