THE WASHINGTON OPERA

Plácido Domingo – *General Director*

Ms Carol J Mitten, Chair
The Zoning Commission of DC, Room 210
441 Fourth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

RE: Opposition to the conversion of the Watergate Hotel

Dear Madam Chair

I am the General Director of The Washington Opera, a resident company at the Watergate complex, and am opposed to the conversion of the Watergate Hotel into cooperative apartments.

The Watergate Hotel is an integral and vital part of the Watergate and surrounding community. The complex as a whole was designed as a planned community, and has existed for forty years. The elimination of the Hotel would not only diminish the lifestyle of the residents, but would adversely affect the position of the Watergate Complex in the District as an acclaimed example of urban living.

I respectfully request that the Commission oppose the conversion.

Sincerely,

Placido Domingo
General Director
The Washington Opera

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