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SUBJECT: Zoning Commission No. 04-32 – Application of Trustee for Harvard University Center for Hellenic Studies.

The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has reviewed the subject application and material for the above site. This memorandum addresses the transportation elements of the proposal.

The Trustee for Harvard University requests a special exception review and approval of the campus plan, 2004-2014, for the Center for Hellenic Studies (Center). Over the next decade, the Trustee desires to undertake a few renovation and new construction projects, totaling a net increase of approximately 10,495 square feet of new space for the campus. The applicant stated that the Center serves as one of the premier centers of scholarship in the field of ancient Greek and Mediterranean civilization with emphasis on the humanistic tradition.

The Center is located at 3100 Whitehaven Street, NW and is bounded by Whitehaven Street to the north, the Chancery of the Republic of Italy to the east, the Embassy/Chancery of the Kingdome of Denmark to the west and the Dumbarton Oaks Park to the south and west. The campus is located in the Diplomatic Overlay D/R-1-A District.

According to the applicant, approximately, 10 to 12 fellows reside at the Center during a typical academic year. Furthermore, by virtue of the Center's, unique mission, these fellows are generally mid-career professors of classical studies, who reside at the Center during the academic year conducting research and traveling in support of their research and teaching. There are approximately 38 parking spaces to support the activities of the Center. We note that there will be no increase in campus population resulting from the proposed construction. In our judgment, the proposed addition will not have any significant transportation impact in the neighboring area. Accordingly, DDOT supports the proposal.

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EXHIBIT NO.23