

**Before the District of Columbia
Zoning Commission**

**Hearing on Case Number 06-06 (Charter Schools—Text Amendment)
May 11, 2006**

**Statement of Richard S. Rothblum on Behalf of Neighborhood Input AGAINST the
Proposed Text Amendment and Seeking a General Requirement of a Special Exception for
Charter Schools Locating in Residential Districts**

My name is Richard S. Rothblum, of 3810 Macomb St., N W., in ANC 3C I offer this statement in opposition to the proposed text amendment to the Zoning Regulations in its current form. I agree with the statement submitted by Bruce Joseph, that “[t]he proposed amendment draws an arbitrary and irrational distinction based on lot size and would not provide adequate oversight and supervision of charter school land use decisions, which can have a profound and disruptive effect on residential neighborhoods.” It seems incongruous that an exception to a zoning regulation should be based on an arbitrary distinction. Lot size would seem to have little to do with the impact of a school on a neighborhood, in comparison to other considerations.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my view.



Richard Stone Rothblum

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Re: Charter School Amendment Statement

Attached is a statement regarding the proposed amendment for the charter schools issue Please contact me if there is any further information required Richard Rothblum
