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The Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia
One Judiciary Square, Suite 210-South
441 Fourth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

RE: ZC Case 06-06 "Charter Schools Text Amendments"

Dear Members of the Zoning Commission of the District of Columbia,

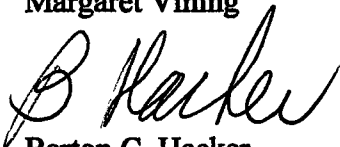
We are writing to urge you to reject the zoning text amendment that would eliminate citizen participation in community school planning and education. As professional educators with a life-long commitment to excellence in schooling, we believe that community involvement is most essential in developing quality education programs. Indeed, the primary obligation of citizens to provide and support quality community school demands that they have meaningful involvement in the process.

The ZC Case 06-06 "Charter Schools Text Amendment" opens neighborhood educational institutions to entrepreneurs and opportunists. This has no place in our community. Please do not allow it to happen.

Yours truly,



Margaret Vining



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