



ZONING COMMISSION
District of Columbia

CASE NO. 06-22

EXHIBIT NO. 12

May 4, 2006

Ms. Sharon Schellin
Secretary to the Zoning Commission
Office of Zoning
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

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Re: Case No. 06-22, Application of District of Columbia Sports and Entertainment Commission for a Ballpark for Major League Sports and Entertainment and Associated Uses; Squares 702 Through 706 (the "Property")

Dear Ms. Schellin:

This letter, on behalf of the District of Columbia, the owner of the above-referenced Property, acting by and through the District of Columbia Sports and Entertainment Commission, is to authorize the law firm of Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi L.L.P. to file and prosecute a Zoning Application for the Property and to act on our behalf and as our agent with respect to this matter.

Sincerely,

District of Columbia,
a municipal corporation, acting by and through the District of Columbia Sports and Entertainment Commission

By: Claude E. Barkley
Name: Claude E. Barkley
Title: General Counsel

