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Chairman Anthony Hood
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By FAX to (202) 727-6072

Mr. Chairman:

Re: Comprehensive Zoning Regulations Rewrite : Parking Case No. 08-06-2

The Citizens Association of Georgetown has worked for 85 years to protect the Historic District in which we live.

Parking is a problem we must frequently address because of the scarcity of curbside or even paid parking. We have supported and will continue to support expansions of public transportation that will enable residents of and visitors to Georgetown to travel by efficient, reliable bus or other transit programs.

But we are unable to avoid the conclusion that such a system does not yet exist to serve our community. Thus we must acknowledge the experience that has marked Georgetown's expansion without such an efficient transportation system.

Several large, new residential complexes have been built in the last few decades, and each provided substantial parking for the new residents. The thought that such projects in the future might not be required to provide parking at all for townhouse communities or might be prohibited from providing what the developer believes to be an adequate amount of parking for apartment or condominium projects is deeply troubling.

Vehicles already circle blocks in the commercial area, seeking curbside parking; frustrated by futile searches, they reach into residential blocks in the hope of finding parking there. The struggle to find adequate parking in the Historic District is already a burden residents bear. Policies that would intensify this difficulty would be ill-considered.

We would urge the Commission to reject proposals for such drastic changes.

Sincerely,


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