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Subject: ZRR: Request for Translation & More Time

Dear City Officials,

I understand the Zoning Regulation Rewrite document was published in May in the DC Register. I also understand it was published in English-only and is available in English only.

As a concerned resident who supports access to language and justice, and as someone who has realized how critical the ZRR will be to the future of ALL residents in EVERY neighborhood, I would like to ask:

- 1) That the entire ZRR document, and all zoning language therein be translated into Spanish and other languages spoken in DC by residents of DC who will be directly affected by the changes in the zoning code.
- 2) That the deadline for comment on the ZRR be extended for all residents, those who may have already participated and those who may want to now participate but because of language barriers have so far been unable to do so.
- 3) That the DC Office of Planning be directed to target limited-English speaking neighborhoods, and collaborate with leaders in those communities to conduct workshops and forums explaining the ZRR.

The ZRR is far too an important civic document to prevent all residents from commenting on.

Please undertake these steps to be truly inclusive in the planning for the future of the District of Columbia. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,
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