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Subject: ZRR: Many Years, Many Problems

Dear Zoning and Planning Officials of the District,

This is for the record in ZC Case No. 08-06a, and all inter-related cases.

First, despite all these years of review neither the Office of Planning nor the Zoning Commission have used the ZRR as an opportunity to fix unreasonable exceptions to DC's affordable housing production rules.

When and if the ZRR is enacted, there will be absolutely no 'low-income' housing required in any developments in the newly expanded Downtown District, and other parts of the City.

And, the ZRR will significantly enlarge the the Downtown District, in effect tripling an area of exclusive housing and office space dedicated to only very wealthy residents and corporate interests.

So, instead of promoting an 'Inclusive City' with mixed-income housing throughout all of DC, the ZRR perpetuates unforgivable exclusion. Why? There is no rationale for this lack of attention during an affordable housing crisis.

Second, the ZRR is far too an important civic document to prevent all residents from commenting on, yet it has been published for review in English-only. This must change now and it should be translated and published with more time for all to comment.

This is too important to ignore.

I look forward to hearing from you.

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