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Mr. Anthony Hood
Chairperson of the Zoning Commission
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Dear Mr. Hood:

**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 7C: RESOLUTION SEEKING MORE
PUBLIC INPUT ABOUT THE ZONING REWRITE**

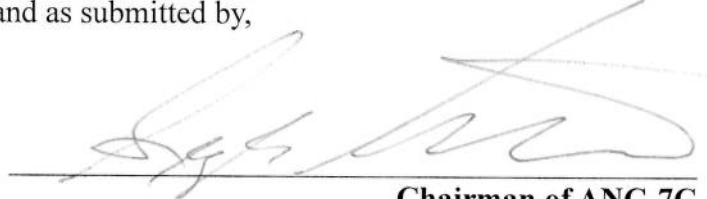
- *Whereby*, the District of Columbia Office of Planning (OP) started their planning for the Zoning Rewrite process several years ago, and
- *Whereby*, OP delivered what was to be their final draft of their amended zoning regulations to the Office of Zoning (OZ) on July 29, 2013, and
- *Whereby*, OP has since made revisions to those “final” draft amendments, and
- *Whereby*, on September 9, 2013, the DC Zoning Commission set-down OP’s final draft regulations for City-wide public hearings, public review, and public comment, and
- *Whereby*, on October 9, 2013, OP announced publicly that they have provided printed-versions of the final draft regulations, more than 1000 pages in length, for the first time at all public libraries, and
- *Whereby*, on October 15, 2013, OP announced that they provided to the Office of Zoning what they call final versions of “cross-walks” which helps the public relate current regulations to their corresponding draft amended regulations, and
- *Whereby*, the public and ANC’s are expected to give feedback and provide testimony as such to the Zoning Commission by the end of October 2013 and at hearings in early November 2013 –

ANC-7C resolves to submit our concern based on solid evidence that the Zoning Rewrite process does not allow for meaningful public participation or proper review of the draft regulations as this draft was only recently submitted by Office of Planning to the Zoning Commission, and printed drafts were only recently made available at public libraries, and

ANC-7C respectfully requests the Zoning Commission to postpone any rulemaking regarding OP's draft zoning amendments, and keep the record completely open for at least 180 days, or until a much more robust and fair review can be had so that a thoughtful and thorough response from the public, including this Advisory Neighborhood Commission, can be delivered for deliberations by the District of Columbia Zoning Commission, and

ANC-7C requests the Office of Planning to visit our community for public community consultations and meetings to discuss the impacts of the draft regulations, both City-wide and specific to our neighborhood, so we can understand the full scope of the zoning rewrite to provide informed feedback to the Zoning Commission. We want the same treatment from the Office of Planning as that received by the Georgetown ANC regarding direct feedback and conversation with OP to create a custom zone for our ANC area and constituents. ANC-7C has thus far not received this attention by OP.

As voted on by ANC-7C at a duly noticed public meeting held on November 14, 2013, with a quorum present of 5 of 7 Commissioners, and as submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gregori Stewart', is written over a horizontal line.

**Chairman of ANC-7C
Gregori Stewart**