

VAN NESS STREET RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Dedicated to Preserving the Residential Character of Van Ness Street

May 26, 2016

Chairman Anthony Hood
District of Columbia Zoning Commission
441 4th Street NW, Room 210S
Washington, DC 20001

RE: ZC- 11-02/11-02A Minor Temporary Modification to Approved Campus
Master Plan for University of District of Columbia (UDC) Campus

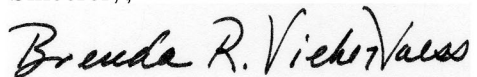
Dear Chairman Hood:

On behalf of the Van Ness Street Residents Association, I have reviewed the request for use of the UDC playing fields along Van Ness Street for temporary swing space for the Murch School trailers, during renovation of Murch School. Trailers will be placed on the playing fields from August, 2016 until August, 2018. According to a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") between UDC, DCPS, and DGS, the land will be returned to its current condition after August, 2018.

Our neighborhood is concerned about illegal trucks on Van Ness Street, and additional traffic created by the use of the space for school pick-up and drop-off. While we do not oppose the use of the space while Murch is renovated (in fact, we support all measures that strengthen our public schools), we are concerned about construction traffic and traffic management during the school year. Van Ness is a residential street with numerous children who attend Hearst School nearby, most by walking to and from school. Accordingly, we request that the Zoning Commission require officials of Murch School to consult with us in order to develop plans for construction management and traffic management so that additional traffic from the school is not directed onto our neighborhood streets. We ask, further, that any traffic management plan agreed by Murch School and the neighborhood be included in the final Zoning Commission order governing use of the swing space.

We have no objections to the use of the UDC playing fields for Murch School swing space, in accordance with the MOU and the drawings sent to us.

Sincerely,



Brenda Viehe-Naess

ZONING COMMISSION

District of Columbia

CASE NO.11-02B

EXHIBIT NO.9

Cc: David Dickinson, ANC 3F01 Commissioner
Thomas Redmond, University of the District of Columbia
All members of Van Ness Street Residents Association