BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSION OR BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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CASE NO.:	12-15D							
Motion of:	Applicant							
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For limited waiver of the public hearing notice requirements of 11-Z DCMR 402.4.								
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I served a copy of the foregoing Motion to each Applicant, Petitioner, Appellant, Party, and/or Intervenor, and the Office of Planning								
in the above-referenced ZC or BZA case via: (email)								
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Zoning Commission for the District of Columbia 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 210S Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Z.C. Case No. 12-15D - Gallaudet University
Proposed Amendment to University Campus Plan and Further Proceesing
Applicant's Request for Waiver of 11-Z DCMR § 402.4

Dear Chairman Hood and Members of the Zoning Commission:

On behalf of Gallaudet University ("Gallaudet" or the "University"), the applicant in the above-referenced case, we respectfully request that the Commission approve a limited waiver from the hearing notice requirement set forth in 11-Z DCMR § 402.4. More specifically, this request only applies to the requirement of § 402.4(a) that the Applicant post notice of the public hearing in this matter "on the front of each existing building located on the subject property".

Gallaudet makes the present waiver request given the exceptional burden created in having to post and maintain public hearing notices on more than three dozen campus buildings, most of which are internal to the 90+ acre university campus and far-removed from public street frontages.

If the waiver is approved by the Commission, posting of hearing notice will still be provided along all street frontages of the campus that face any property not owned by the University, as required pursuant to § 402.4(b). Further, the University has engaged with the three Advisory Neighborhood Commissions which include or bound the University's campus (ANCs 5D, 6A and 6C) and is actively including its student population in planning related to the limited amendment proposed to the campus plan and related further processing in this application, which involves the renovation and repurposing of the Merrill Learning Center in the heart of the campus.

Subtitle Z § 101.9 confirms the Commission's authority to waive its rules where the exercise of such a waiver would also not prejudice the rights of any party nor is otherwise prohibited by law. As set forth above, we believe waiver would not work any prejudice nor is prohibited by law.

Thank you for your consideration of this waiver request.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dennis R. Hughes, Esq.

cc: Certificate of Service

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on December 5, 2024, electronic copies of Gallaudet University's request for partial waiver from 11-Z DCMR § 402.4 were delivered as follows:

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