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Chairman Anthony Hood  
District of Columbia Zoning Commission  
441 4<sup>th</sup> St., NW, Suite 2105  
Washington, DC. 20001

**Re: ZC Case No 14-11**

Dear Chairman Hood and Members of the Commission:

I write in support of ZC Case No 14-11. In fact, I would like to see the proposal go even further to stop unsightly “pop ups” and “pop backs.”

Ugly pop ups are sprouting like mushrooms across the District. Developers are racing to buy and convert single-family homes into million-dollar condos or apartment houses. Adding dollars to the pockets of developers is not increasing the quality of life for DC residents who then have to live in ugly neighborhoods. This amendment does not prevent homeowners from making reasonable additions to their homes if needed.

This amendment has the potential to stop these ugly buildings from continuing to multiply in our city. It will prevent developers from turning single-family homes into monstrosities that can ruin the look of an entire block. We are already seeing how “pop-ups” have blighted blocks of row houses. Just drive down Independence Ave to RFK and take a look.

I urge you to adopt this amendment.

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*PS: Word has it that letters opposing this amendment have been generated by developers who are the only ones to profit from defeating the amendment. I would suggest that you look carefully at the origin of the letters.*