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To: DCOZ - ZC Submissions (DCOZ)
Subject: 14-18A Brookland Manor/Mid-City Financial

To Whom This May Concern,

As a DC resident, I am deeply troubled by the ongoing displacement of families of color from the city as the District becomes increasingly gentrified and affordable housing disappears. It is critical that we preserve affordable housing in the city, especially multiple bedroom units because they are becoming increasingly scarce.

As such, I am writing in support of ONE DC and the Brookland Manor/Brentwood Village Resident Association and their demands. Mid-City Financial is attempting to displace working class people of color from one of the few remaining affordable housing properties in Washington, DC. Residents of Brookland Manor have been subjected to discrimination based on family sizes; have faced harassment by armed security personnel, and mass evictions over minor rule infractions, as covered in the Washington Post.

If the Zoning Commission plans to go forward with the proposed plans by Mid-City Financial, it is critical to include robust affordable housing, especially retaining 3, 4, and 5 bedroom units, so that current residents are not displaced from their current community. I urge you all to listen to the residents of Brookland Manor and do not approve plans to permanently displace them from their homes.

Best,

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