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DC Zoning Commission:

I oppose replacing Bruce Monroe Community Park with a 9-story-plus-penthouse tower.
(Case 16-11)

The city's new Comprehensive Plan requires a thorough impact assessment -- ensuring that negative impacts on neighborhoods, transportation, environmental quality, and other issues are assessed and adequately mitigated. The DC Appeals court made clear this was not thoroughly done.

This park is the center of our community. It provides a safe and clean place for people to come together locally. I regularly play tennis at the courts and when I am there, I am always pleased to see the amount of activity going on. Children playing on the playground, various basketball games going on, people gathered to chat or share a picnic. It is essential to have this public space and the alternative option of people going 10 blocks for a similar experience will inevitably mean people stop doing those activities because they lack the convenient access. I urge you to consider the negative impact this change would have on our neighborhood.

Sincerely,
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