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Dear Commissioners,

As an AU Park resident homeowner and father of three young children, I am writing to express my support for the proposed Lady Bird development project. I believe that the project proposal that includes a much-desired full-service grocery store is far preferable to a matter-of-right/residential-only development. I urge the Zoning Commission to approve Valor's design-review application.

The grocery store is critical to my support; the apartments, by themselves, threaten the culture and charm of our neighborhood. Given the already overfull public elementary schools (where at least two of my children could not get into Janney pre-K due to wait lists and class cancellations), monopoly that Whole Foods has in Tenleytown (high prices, lower quality with no competition) and rising property taxes (coupled with lack of deductibility under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act), adding apartments without the grocery store may be the final impetus for our family, along with several of our friends and neighbors, to leave Washington DC and move our residence (and tax dollars and our time and money spent volunteering at Friendship Park) to Chevy Chase, Bethesda or Potomac, Maryland.

Sincerely,

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