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Dear Zoning Commissioners,

I kindly request this be included in the public record for ZC Case Number 23-02. I am opposed to this rezoning application because it will allow the construction of a downtown-sized building that will be vastly unaffordable to most working-class families and residents in DC. There should be no luxury housing on public land.

Second, rezoning will precipitate a project that will displace the existing first responders affecting emergency response time to a large circle of the community in Wards 1 and 2. This impact remains unstudied and it would be unethical to rezone this site without knowing the implications of the rezoning on emergency response time.

As I understand, no one promoting this application has come door-to-door to discuss with the surrounding neighbors their proposal and the long-term impacts this rezoning will have on our community. MU10 is an unprecedented rezoning for this area and its effect remains under evaluated and uninformed.

As such, I am opposed to this rezoning application. I ask that you ask OP to go back to the drawing board and work with the community to build a collaborative plan and resubmit their application to replace the one now before you. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
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