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Dear Chairman Anthony Hood,

I wish to express my support for the decision by the DC Zoning Commission in Case No. 23-25, which rezones parcels along Connecticut Avenue from Chevy Chase Circle to Livingston Street, NW. The decision was made after years of community engagement. These zoning changes are consistent with, and implement the policies of the Comprehensive Plan, the Chevy Chase Small Area Plan, and the Housing Equity Report.

Overall, these zoning changes will foster a more walkable street environment along Connecticut Avenue. The zoning will also guide future potential redevelopment that relates sensitively to its neighbors, foster space for small businesses, and add mixed income housing. For the public library site, the rezoning will facilitate its planned redevelopment with a state-of-the-art new library, community center, and public spaces. In addition, it will also help add much needed permanently affordable housing to this public site.

I urge the Commission to support this rezoning to create a more walkable, vibrant, and inclusive Chevy Chase main street.

Creating more housing options and equity is important to all of us in the DC region. As we fight for similar development in Arlington it is imperative that other jurisdictions do the same.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
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