
Letter in Opposition to ZC 24-11

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Hello, I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed rezoning along New York Avenue to industrial use. NE DC is a vibrant and growing community, yet we need more affordable housing. The triangle of land between New York Ave, Bladensburg, and Montana has been slated to help address this shortage for years now. To rezone this land to industrial use and build a warehouse when so many DC families could benefit from the housing and commercial investment that could be placed in this location would be a betrayal of over a decade of work in the area, not to mention the potential of the site. Maintaining the residential zoning could help increase residential density which would benefit surrounding areas including Ivy City, Fort Lincoln, the Bladensburg corridor, and others. It would make it more commercially viable for businesses to set up shop in the area, which would add to the city's tax base at a time when we are projecting long term losses due to upheaval at the federal level. The last thing we need is another warehouse in this area.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,

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