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Members of the Zoning Commission,

I live on Connecticut Ave in Cleveland Park. PLEASE SUPPORT UPZONING OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD!!! We need more housing that is affordable near the Cleveland Park Metro. The only way to get it is to allow higher buildings and more density. Now's our chance to get going on a more vibrant community that welcomes young people, old people and folks in the middle--EVERYONE! Housing is the key and upzoning will make that possible!

Please approve the Office of Planning's proposed upzoning on Wisconsin Avenue (ZC 25-13) and Connecticut Avenue (ZC 25-09). I'm also asking my Councilmembers to support a broader upzoning in the next Comprehensive Plan.

This is an important first step, but it doesn't go far enough. I'm asking my Councilmembers to commit to a more vibrant, affordable DC in the Comprehensive Plan. Tell the Office of Planning to:

- 1. Legalize up to Six Homes on All Residential Lots: Take steps to end exclusionary zoning by allowing up to six homes on every residential lot.
- 2. Allow Parking Flexibility Citywide: Give homebuilders and local businesses the flexibility to determine parking based on their specific site and neighborhood needs, rather than forcing arbitrary mandates that waste space and increase costs for renters.
- 3. Promote Transit Oriented Development: Allow buildings to reach 90 feet within ½ mile of Metro stations and ¼ mile of high-frequency bus lines (with automatic expansion when new bus lines/metro stops are added).

Ward 3 has long under-produced housing relative to its access to opportunity. These rezonings—and a broader upzoning in the Comp Plan—will help keep long-time residents, welcome new neighbors, and ensure our local shops and schools thrive.

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