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As a long-time resident of the District, I urge the Zoning Commission to reject the proposed text and map amendments in their present form. In its present form, the Office of Planning's proposal would allow developers to build up to 130 feet -- twice the existing limit -- as a matter of right. That amendment, by design, would deny residents all opportunity to voice their views on developments that would directly affect their everyday lives. I understand that development should, and will, take place along the Wisconsin Avenue corridor. I believe, however, that in many instances, resident input has contributed to, and will contribute to, more successful development.

I urge the Commission to preserve a meaningful opportunity for resident input regarding future developments. It would be unfortunate, and indeed ironic, if the District's government were to eliminate all opportunity for resident input at the very same time the federal government is considering measures to curtail the District's right to self-government.