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TOWNS SCRETARIATE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Mr. Lindsley Williams Chairman, DC Zoning Commission 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Room 11 Washington, DC 20004

Reference: Case # 86-26

Dear Mr. Williams,

Recently, I have had an opportunity to review the proposed Planned Unit Development for 3501 Connecticut Avenue. I have given The Urban Group's plans careful consideration, but feel that a building of such immensity is inappropriate for Cleveland Park.

I am an owner of three properties in square 2222, and a resident of one which borders the subject property. While I am anxious to see the deserted "Park and Shop" area restored to full use, I feel it should not be at the expense of Cleveland Park's character. The Urban Group's proposal is incongruous with the streetscape of Connecticut Avenue and our neighborhood's valuable architecture. It will also create unacceptable traffic congestion, both vehicular and pedestrian.

I urge you to deny The Urban Group's petition for any zoning changes, and to support the Historic Association's petition to limit the area to very low rise construction. I regret that business engagements will prevent my attendance in person at the hearing, but ask that this letter be recorded as my public statement.

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Very truly yours,

John H. Purnell III

cc: Cleveland Terrace Condominium Association

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