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## 3900 Connecticut Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20008

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Mr. Lindsley Williams Chairman DC Zoning Commission The District Building, Rm 11 Washington DC 20004

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am in favor of changing the zoning along Connecticut Avenue in Cleveland Park so that the residential nature of the neighborhood can be maintained. The massive type of office building which has recently been built near Van Ness and Wisconsin destroys the pedestrian scale of these neighborhoods. I think that with a change in zoning, smaller scale office buildings or buildings with businesses of a neighborhood nature (containing small shops) can be built, buildings which will not drastically change the visual scale, and will not introduce overwhelming changes in automobile traffic as has taken place with the Intelsat Building at Van Ness and Connecticut.

I am in favor of bringing zoning in line with the concept of the Cleveland Park Historic District. I am in favor of some new construction, because I realize that change will take place in cities - that is their nature. But I think the changes can be regulated to the benefit of those, like me. who have lived, or choose to live, in these areas. I have lived on Connecticut Avenue since 1971, and when I bought my current apartment in 1980, selected the area after looking at many areas in the District, Virginia and Maryland. voted and paid taxes in Washington for seventeen years, in addition to working here. I hope this commitment of mine to this neightborhood will be recognized as valuable by the zoning commission as it considers this zoning question.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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