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Chairman Lindsley Williams
D.C. Zoning Commission
District Building
Washington, D.C. 20004

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ZONING SECRETARIAT,
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Case 86-26

Dear Mr. Williams,

This letter is written to ask your support for a zoning reduction in the Cleveland Park area on Connecticut Avenue from C-2-A to C-1 and a reduction in density from 2.5 FAR to 1.0 or 2.0 FAR. For Wisconsin Avenue, I believe three stories and 1.0 FAR are more appropriate. The development that has been proposed or discussed for both areas is totally inappropriate for the neighborhood, especially when you consider the other massive buildings that have been built on Connecticut Avenue (Van Ness, for example) and Wisconsin Avenue. To replace stores like the Giant and others with more office space will destroy the existing neighborhood and cause severe changes to the adjacent residential areas near both avenues. There will be even increased traffic congestion (have you tried driving near Wisconsin and Van Ness recently?) along with pollution, parking congestion on side streets, and the liveability and character of our neighborhood will be harmed irreparably.

As you know, the Comprehensive Plan, Land Use Element, provides that our shopping areas on Connecticut and Wisconsin should be "low-density, local neighborhood centers." Please do everything in your power to make certain that the Zoning Board only allows such development and nothing else.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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