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

Re: Case #86-26

Dr. Mr. Williams:

I am writing in support of neighbors and others who have the interests of the District at heart by protecting it from being overrun and made uninhabitable by promoters and their associates, in and out of politics, whose primary interest is making a fast buck.

I'm sure you are well informed -- better than I -- of the evils which have flowed from the wastelands created by the large-scale office building construction. We see them every day in areas closing in on us at a most disturbing rate -- on Wesconsin Avenue and Connecticut Avenue, both to the north and the south of us in Cleveland Park... the traffic congestion, the pollution, the heavy concentration of transients with no rooted interest in the area, and the concomitant crime that arises from the sterile, urban deserts created by the giant construction companies.

We look to our government officials and representatives to help us halt the dreadful trend of destroying the relatively few peaceful residential zones of this city and converting the nation's capital into another monstrous metropolis such as those which afflict both the East and West coasts of our country.

We are looking to you and your associates to enforce the District's Comprehensive Plan and to change the zoning so as to hold off further encroachment by massive office buildings and thereby preserve the residential character of this area of Connecticut Avenue.

You all would thereby be performing a laudable public service and would be enhancing your own professional and personal records.

Sincerely.

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