



ART DECO SOCIETY of WASHINGTON

June 22, 1988

Ms. Maybelle Bennett, Chair
D.C. Zoning Commission
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20004

Re: Case No. 86-26
Cleveland Park Overlay Zone
PUD Guidelines

Dear Ms. Bennett:

The Art Deco Society of Washington wishes to state its unequivocal support for the Cleveland Park Historical Society's petition to lower the allowable F.A.R. in the Cleveland Park Historic District from 2.5 to 2.0 and to limit the height and F.A.R. of P.U.D.'s to the allowable height and F.A.R. of the underlying zone. The commercial segment of Connecticut Avenue within the Cleveland Park Historic District is the repository of significant low-scale Art Deco commercial architecture. In fact, it is one of the most significant concentrations of such architecture in the city. The preservation community throughout the District of Columbia is following the outcome of this case with keen interest. It makes no sense for zoning to undermine a historic designation. If planning is the rationale for Planned Unit Developments, then P.U.D.'s should be consistent with the foremost planning imperative within historic districts: preservation. Thank you very much for considering our views in this matter.

Sincerely,

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President

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