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Mr. Lindsley Williams  
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Dear Mr. Williams:

May I, as a resident of Cleveland Park, join others in energetically protesting Safeway's decision to close its grocery store at 3427 Connecticut Ave., as well as other pending DC government measures (the proposed high-rise development at Ordway/Connecticut Ave.) which may radically alter our neighborhood?

Twenty years ago my husband and I bought a home on Macomb St. precisely because of its nearness to the facilities on Connecticut Ave. and the residential nature of Cleveland Park. In our older age, we thought, all this would serve us so well that we could carry on our lives quite independently and with quality. Since then, however, I have become divorced and reached the age of 58. While I delight in the ownership of my Macomb St. home and use of the facilities on the Avenue, I am troubled about the future.

For instance, since I shop alone and on foot, the idea of acquiring groceries in the future via Metro or Metrobus negates a major "older age" plan, leaving me with serious doubts about the managability of living alone in this area. Furthermore, if the Ordway/Conn. Ave. redevelopment scheme drives out still more neighborhood stores, how shall I meet my daily needs in the years ahead?

Although Safeway's financial problems are well understood, may I, nevertheless, ask you to give active support to zoning provisions that will encourage a replacement supplier of food to come into the neighborhood at once? The residents of this area deserve a close-by grocery store, along with other residential shops and facilities which give quality to urban life.

As we have supported the DC Government with our votes and our rather substantial taxes, we now ask you to give serious consideration to our neighborhood's need. Please permit us to remain that which motivated us to move here in the first place -- a residential area, a neighborhood.

Sincerely,



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