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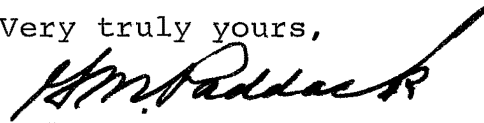
Dear Sir:


The Zoning Commission's present proposal for final rules concerning the Wisconsin-Macomb-Newark area, should be cancelled. It was only about a year ago that the Commission voted unanimously to down-zone the area to C-1. It also voted to establish a new "neighborhood commercial overlay" limiting, inter alia, ground floor office space. Yet the present proposal would permit C-2 uses such as theatres, fast food restaurants, department stores, etc., and without public hearings to consider the applicability of the District's Comprehensive Plan.

The area in question is a true neighborhood in character and feeling -- something to be cherished and encouraged. It is a community of old friends and acquaintances, of nods and smiles and friendly spirit in the streets and in the stores, instead of an elbow-to-elbow, bumper-to-bumper amalgam -- and this at a time when rampant commercialism and its big buildings have made great inroads in present and potential neighborhoods. This should not be permitted to happen in the Wisconsin-Macomb-Newark area.

The present rules proposal should be rejected.

Very truly yours,


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