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Hon. Anthony J. Hood, Chairperson
Zoning Commission
Suite 210 South
441 4th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

RE: Cases 11-15 and 11-15A: Howard University Central Campus Master Plan and Further Processing for Student Residences

Dear Chairman Hood:

At its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, November 3, 2011, (notice of which was properly given and at which a quorum of eight of eleven members was present), Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1B voted unanimously (8-0) to support the Howard University Central Campus Master Plan of 2011, subject to certain conditions:

The Commission's support is conditioned on the following factors:

- I. In order to continue and improve on-going communications between the University and surrounding neighborhoods, Howard University will continue to hold regular meetings with the Community Advisory Committee, at least quarterly, with a vice president of the University present.
- II. The University should not leave any dormitory hall vacant for more than one year, more specifically Slowe, Carver, Drew and Cooke.
- III. Adopt the following off-campus provisions:
 1. The development of an off-campus housing policy that would be published in the student handbook;
 2. The creation of an inventory of off-campus housing so that students who live off campus can be readily identified by address;

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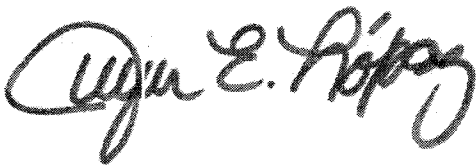
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3. Regular convening of students who live off-campus to orient them to the community's history and heritage, introduce them to community leaders, provide them with tips for safety and adjustment to community living and remind them of off-campus housing policies, their rights and responsibilities;
4. Working with community groups to organize welcoming events for students;
5. Establishing a website that:
 - A. provides valuable information to students and community members such as contact information for University staff, MPD, DCRA and community leadership in the event issues arise or complaints need to be filed;
 - B. contains a complaint form that can be filled out on line by any complainant who needs to alert the University of a concern they may have;
 - C. sets forth instructions regarding the procedures that students and community members should follow to have complaints addressed most efficiently and effectively;
 - D. assigns a University staff member to be responsible for monitoring complaints filed and directing them to the appropriate persons to resolve the issues raised;
 - E. identifies issues that should be addressed by the University, MPD, the Landlord Tenant Division of DCRA or others; and
 - F. identifies landlords' and tenants' rights and responsibilities as they relate to off-campus housing in which students reside, such as safety hazards on the property; overflowing trash problems; overcrowding; rodent and/or insect infestation, etc.

We ask that the Zoning Commission give great weight to ANC 1B's support and conditions regarding this Central Campus Master Plan and Further Processing application.

Sincerely,



Juan Lopez
Chairperson



Myla Moss
Secretary

cc: Ms. Maybelle Bennett, Howard University
Mr. Ronnie Edwards, Chairperson, ANC 5C