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Dear members of the Board of Zoning Adjustment,

I am writing this morning as I am unable to attend today's hearing concerning the potential Call Your Mother: A Jew-ish Deli and would like my voice to be heard.

My name is Kim Panozzo. I have been a resident of O Street (3419 O Street) since April 2018. My husband and I bought this home over others in Georgetown because it is located on a quiet residential block - not backed up to restaurants and retail. I write today to beg you to please keep this neighborhood a residential neighborhood and not grant variance.

I know you have been inundated with letters and calls and posts to whatever social media outlets there are. But I beg of you to PLEASE listen to the neighbors that will be directly impacted by this decision over those who simply "want bagels".

I'm not writing to try and prevent a business from growing. I'm writing because I am fearful of what will become of my block should the zoning allow for CYM Deli to receive variance. I am writing to ask you to please deny the zoning variance.

I've been reading in blogs and social media that people just "want the bagels". And that there's no reason why Call Your Mother: A Jew-ish shouldn't be allowed variance. However - these supporters do not live within 200 feet of the front door of 3428 O Street. In fact, many of the supporters don't live in the neighborhood at all. With that, I again plead that you listen to the neighbors that will be directly impacted and not allow the variance.

CYM Deli is a destination establishment. DMV residents and tourists alike line up for HOURS to visit the Deli. No matter what sort of queuing plan CYM claims they can put in place, this will cause absolute congestion and disruption to the quiet, residential block of 35th and O St.

In addition, given the number of rats our neighborhood is infested with, we do not need another reason for them to stick around. Myself and all of my neighbors - the ones who would be directly effected by this variance - have been working to reduce the rat infestation for years (both through the city and with our own financial means). Adding a food establishment would be detrimental to these efforts.

I beg you to please listen to us - the neighbors who will be impacted and effected long term should this variance be passed. Please listen to us and deny the variance.

Call Your Mother: A Jew-ish Deli may have a number of supporters today. However, please ask them where they live in relation to the 3428 O St.

Our neighbors - the ones who will be directly impacted - have two representatives who will be speaking on our behalf of us all as we were not allowed to be there in person due to work commitments.

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District of Columbia
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My final plea - please do not grant this variance.

Thank you for your time

Kim Panozzo

A very concerned neighbor at 3419 O St, NW

Kimberly A. Panozzo