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Dear members of the Board of Zoning Adjustment,

First - to respond to Mr Martin P Sullivan's claim that "No group of neighbors was granted party status, and no persons have authorized Ms. Roth to represent them. So, despite this claim in the submission, the Applicant presumes that this is the submission of Melinda Roth alone, and is not on behalf of any group" is absolutely UNTRUE.

Ms Melinda Roth has been authorized by myself, my husband and our neighbors who will be DIRECTLY impacted by an arbitrary change in zoning variance. I want to make that clear.

I am writing again to vehemently oppose the variance for Call Your Mother: A Jew-ish Deli. Unfortunately I am unable to attend the hearing due work.

As I previously wrote, I did MY due diligence when purchasing a home in Georgetown. I was interested in another home but after doing MY research, decided O street was the best option because the one retail (then flower shop) on our block was zoned residential. We were confident when we purchased to never have to deal with crowds and lines similar to those of Georgetown cupcake or the like.

I write today to once again oppose granting this variance. I write to ask you to once again - to PLEASE listen to the neighbors that will be directly impacted by this decision. I'd like to take a moment to respond to the Applicants response to our party opposition

- Applicants Response: Denying the variance will create a practical difficulty for the owner.

- Allowing the variance will cause difficulty for ME - an actual resident of O Street. Allowing the variance will decrease property values for ME - a resident of O street. Someone who put my life savings in to a property to live on a quiet residential block in Georgetown. Again, I did MY due diligence. The fact that the applicant did not, should not become my problem or my financial burden.

- Applicants Response: The building is in a very dense, urban area. The property is near Georgetown University, schools, churches, and other shops, as well as the main commercial strips of Georgetown. The building is also on a public bus line. The requested variance will not unduly change the fabric of the neighborhood.

- FALSE. Apparently whoever wrote this is not a resident of our neighborhood. We live on a RESIDENTIAL block. Adding a DESTINATION COMMERCIAL establishment to the corner of 35th and O will 100% change the fabric of the neighborhood. There is no question about it. Why do you think the neighbors of O Street- the ones that will be DIRECTLY impacted - are so worried and upset? It's because you are attempting to change the fabric of OUR neighborhood.

- The variance will not create a burden on the neighborhood.

- Of course it will. The burden of crowds (Snaking lines - as the applicant has called it). The burden of trash. The burden of more rats. The burden of illegal parking. The burden of noise. The burden of reduced property values.

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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 if supporters at the hearing However, please ask them where they live in relation to the [3428 O St.](#)

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

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](#)

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