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Ms Carol Mitten, Chairman Zoning Commission District of Columbia Office of Zoning 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 210-S Washington, DC 20001

Dear Madam Chairman,

I am writing to ask you and the Zoning Commission to consider rejecting the zoning map amendment and development upgrade proposed by Stonebridge Associates under case ZC #02-17. The Stonebridge proposal extends far beyond the existing zoning in their plans for the Washington Clinic/ Lisner Site. The proposed development will adversely alter the neighborhood quality of life that many of us who recently moved here so enjoy and appreciate. The existing green space between the clinic and the Lisner property creates a pleasant buffer zone and an appropriate transition to the businesses at Wisconsin and Western Avenues. Increases in building height, increases in residences, and increases in auto traffic to an already congested area do not contribute to an appealing way of life. Approving the development on the basis of existing zoning would be a much more reasonable option and would most likely satisfy all parties.

Thank you for considering my point of view.

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