Sept. 18, 2002

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 Ms. Mitten:

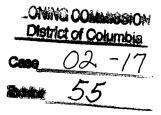
I am writing in reference to case # ZC 02-17. I strongly oppose Stonebridge Associates' rezoning request for the proposed Friendship Heights redevelopment of the Washington Clinic site. As a nearby resident of Military Road I have several concerns, including:

- 1) Density and Height. Stonebridge's proposed 10-story apartment building will swamp the single-family homes and town homes in the immediate area. If this rezoning is allowed, other developers will push for more high-density zoning changes ever farther eastward, crowding out the existing single-family homes.
- Traffic. With the planned redevelopment of the Jennifer St. Metro garage and the Geico and Giant Food properties in Maryland, it will become nearly impossible to drive through the intersection of Wisconsin/Military/Western.
- Precedent. A few years back the Tenleytown neighbors successfully opposed a highdensity development above the Metro at Albermarle and Nebraska Ave. We in Friendship Heights deserve the same for our neighborhood.

I am not opposed to development at the site. But I do oppose changing the existing zoning **Quan** to accommodate a development that is not in the neighborhood's interest. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely. am

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