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DC Zoning Commission:

I oppose replacing Bruce Monroe Community Park with a 9-story-plus-penthouse tower.  
(Case 16-11)

The city's new Comprehensive Plan requires a thorough impact assessment -- ensuring that negative impacts on neighborhoods, transportation, environmental quality, and other issues are assessed and adequately mitigated. The DC Appeals court made clear this was not thoroughly done.

I was recently at the park during the Georgia Ave open streets event where games had been setup for all the kids in the neighborhood. I got to take my 5 year old niece for a ride on a bike for the first time in the safety of the park space and felt so thankful to have such a great open space amid all the towers on Georgia Ave. I was heartbroken to know this space was at risk of being taken. As I was there that day I considered myself lucky to have a park so close by that I might take a child of my own to someday. If DC keeps selling off all our public land it won't be a city that anyone will want to have children in as we won't have places left for them to safely play. A city without parks isn't worth living in.

Sincerely,  
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