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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'd like to focus on the adverse effect of project in the following aspects I see would be verily impacted:

- 1 – Social cohesion in an area where social sharing is important for the stability of the community. There are no parks of this kind in the area.
- 2 – Kids and families would not have the opportunity to share or access playgrounds.
- 3 – Population density of the area would be highly impacted with no plans or transportations, spacing and zoning to mitigate.
- 4 – Recreation is key for safeguarding the mental, emotional security of a community, and a park of this kind is key, and there are very few left.
- 5 – Peoples and environment matter. Constructions aren't always essential.

Sincerely,



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