January 1, 2018

Chairman Anthony Hood DC Zoning Commission 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200S Washington, DC 20001

Re: In Support for Ladybird Redevelopment at Spring Valley

Dear Chairman Hood,

As residents and parents who live near Spring Valley in NW Washington, DC, we are writing in full support of the Ladybird proposal for restorative re-development at 4330 48th St. There would be significant benefit in walk-able, convenient grocery and retail stores, as well as housing units that would add to diversity and vivacity of our neighborhood. More specifically, more retail and grocery options will help with competitive quality and pricing to the limited options found in the stores in the Tenley Town metro area. As parents of young children, more opportunities for quick trips out would also be of huge benefit. Furthermore, new housing units will help our neighbors looking to downsize and stay in the neighborhood and provide options for American University students or visiting professors. Financially, this re-development will increase property values throughout the area as well.

It is disheartening to hear that the approval process has been slow given the great benefits that could be gained. We urge you to facilitate this process forward. Please let us know if there is more we can do as a community to help.

With warm and encouraging regards,

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