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To: Subject:

City Council; City Council Aides; Jackie Henderson; Call Click Connect; Gloria Sitton Call.Click.Connect. #112262: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council Dear Mayor Silberberg,

Vice Mayor Wilson

Dear Call.Click.Connect. User

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## Request Details:

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Name: Sarah Haut

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Phone Number: 703-967-0426Email: hautsl@yahoo.com

Service Type: Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Council

Request Description: Dear Mayor Silberberg, Vice Mayor Wilson, and City Councilors,

I would like to express my support and also concern regarding Special Use Permit #2016-0077 for 1508 Mount Vernon Avenue to allow off-site sale of alcohol. I support the offsite sale of alcohol for the restaurant. I don't think it will have any impact on neighboring properties.

However, there has been an on-going problem with one condition in the applicant's SUP that does impact neighboring properties. Per the SUP, employees are required to park off street. There is at least one employee who repeatedly parks on residential streets. I have tried to resolve this issue several times by sending messages to the restaurant via it's web page. That did not resolve the problem. I discussed this with Planning and Zoning staff at the Del Ray Citizens Association Land Use Committee meeting when we discussed this application. Planning staff tried to work with the applicant to resolve the issue. I have brought this to the attention of Planning staff two additional times because I continue to see Junction Bakery and Cafe staff parking on residential streets. The last time, I took a photo of the car in question and e-mailed it to the Planning employee. She has been very responsive to my requests and I appreciate her efforts, but it doesn't seem that the business understands the impact of employees using on street parking.

When an employee working an 8 hour shift parks on a residential street, that parking space is not available to residents who live on that street. I assume the employees continue to do this because they want to leave the parking lot open for patrons (even though they are violating the terms of their SUP). At least patrons are in the restaurant for a limited time. If patrons were to park on the residential streets, the parking spaces would be vacated after a couple of hours and residents would have a fair chance to park in front of or near their own properties. When Junction Bakery and Cafe opens for dinner, parking for residents will become that much more challenging if employees continue to violate the terms of the SUP by parking on the street. Once Al's Steakhouse and the pizza restaurant open, it will become even more challenging to park.

Businesses and residents can co-exist in this neighborhood easily if the businesses will follow the conditions of their SUPs. I hope you will take this into consideration when you discuss this SUP application.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sarah Haut

Expected Response Date: Wednesday, January 18

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