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RE: The Rose Park Path - Georgetown, Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Feldman and Superintendent Coleman:

Thank you for your letter dated February 25, 2009 regarding the Environmental Assessment for proposed improvements that will include the 3,000 foot segment of the Rose Park Path.

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I am the President of Friends of Rose Park, Inc., a non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt, community-based organization which works with neighbors and users of Rose Park to improve the Park's usefulness and appearance. Friends of Rose Park is the neighborhood's collective voice and advocates for the best interests of the Park.

In your letter you request comments regarding the potential impact from rehabilitating, widening, rerouting, or otherwise modifying the Rose Park Path. I am happy to state the position of Friends of Rose Park in this regard. Our position is well established, and has been consistently advocated for a number of years:

1. The path should remain in its current location and at its current width.
2. The path should be renovated because its current condition is a hazard.
3. There should be no bike traffic on the path because of the dangers of mixing uses on such a narrow path and because of the intense use of the path by children and pedestrians.

This position has the support of our local ANC and of other community groups, including The Citizen's Association of Georgetown. Rose Park is an important and highly valued community amenity. Our position is well considered and has been reinforced and confirmed numerous times over the past decade.

We look forward to working with you as this process continues. I hope that you will not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions about Rose Park or the Rose Park Path. We sincerely look forward to the satisfactory completion of this process, resulting in a refurbished path that is safe and useful.

Sincerely,



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