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Dr. Royce Hanson, Chairman  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
8787 Georgia Avenue  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear Dr. Hanson:

I am writing regarding planning for the White Flint Development. I am a resident of White Flint Park (now for some 38 years) and 6 years prior to that in the Garrett Park Estates. I know that you have been made aware of the many concerns of the residents of our community through communications to the Board (both written and oral) by the Garrett Park Estates-White Flint Park Citizens' Association during the planning process. I am writing to express one of many concerns.

This community has been our family home throughout my career as a Professor at the Georgetown University School of Medicine. While we have had many opportunities to move from this community (local as well as national), the unique nature of the Garrett Park-White Flint community has been a deciding factor in my family's decision to remain in the neighborhood. It has been and continues to be a great place to live and raise a family. Now we face a very serious threat to our community.

The point of this all too lengthy introduction is to express my extreme disappointment that the staff report did not include any language addressing the White Flint Sector Plan's compatibility with existing neighborhoods. I would urge you to be certain that "compatibility with existing neighborhoods" be a priority in the Plan. Jay Hansen, President of our Citizen's Association, has written to Margaret Rifkin urging consideration that "compatibility with existing neighborhoods" be added as a 5<sup>th</sup> discrete section in the staff report citing details of our concerns. Without addressing the compatibility with existing neighborhoods issue, the plan could deliver an extremely serious blow to our community. I strongly urge you to prevent that from happening. Thank you for your attention.

With Best Regards,

Leonard Chiazze, Jr., Sc.D.

Cc: Margaret K. Rifkin, Jay Hansen