



GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

November 15, 2007

Office of the President

Mr. Ed Solomon,
Chair
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2E
3265 S Street, NW
Washington, DC 20007

Dear Mr. Solomon and Members of the Commission:

I wish to express my appreciation for your letter of October 5th, and I am grateful to you for letting me know about the response of the community to Georgetown University's revised alcohol policy. I had the opportunity to meet with Todd Olson after the recent ANC meeting, and I know he was grateful for your invitation and the opportunity to address both the Commission and the community about this matter.

As you know, we adjust our policies every year in response to our evolving perspective on how best to educate students and respond to the needs of our community and our campus. To the extent that our neighbors have continuing concerns about the off-campus impact of these revisions, I am hopeful that several resources available through our Office of Student Affairs may help to address these issues. Dean Olson continues to meet with student and university leaders to discuss how the policy can be implemented in a way that it is effective on-campus, but does not adversely affect our off-campus neighbors. Our Office of Off-Campus Student Life has taken steps this year to further enhance the SNAP program, and the Department of Public Safety is working to ensure that community calls to the Hotline are answered in the most effective way possible.

It is also my sincere expectation that our students living off campus be good neighbors. To this end, I have asked Jeanne Lord to work with you and other community leaders to discuss ways in which we can continue to work to improve our university policies. Such discussions might occur within the current framework of such ongoing groups as ALL or the BZA Quarterly meetings or in a new forum if that might be more appropriate. I remain deeply grateful for your valuable perspective on these issues, and for all that you do for the Georgetown community.

You have my very best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John J. DeGioia".

John J. DeGioia