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Reference: Recent Crimes around 18th Street, NE and C Street NE

Dear Attorney Collins,

We request immediate support to develop a comprehensive plan to curb apparent illegal activity for the area around 18th Street, NE and C Street, NE. From the crime reports on Metropolitan Police Department, First District, a robbery with force and violence occurred at 18th Street, NE and C Street, NE on April 10, 2006 at 2230 hours in Police Service Area 103. The female victim reports that she was approached by ten juvenile suspects (five juvenile black males and five juvenile black females) at which time one of them demanded her cell phone. She refused. Whereupon, one of the male juveniles threw her to the ground, grabbed her purse and hit the victim in the head with a closed fist. The victim's purse, wallet and credit cards were taken. The suspects were last seen fleeing on foot in an unknown direction. No arrests were made.

In the past week there has been a group of ten to fifteen black males, who appear to be juveniles, hanging around 322/324/320 18th Street, NE. One of these houses is up for sale and vacant. This group is often so large it spills across other yards and into the street, even blocking motor vehicle traffic to a small degree.

These males yell back and forth with the females in the 400 block of 18th Street NE. Members of the community have complained about this situation and the behavior of the young males. In addition, we have had reports of increased drug activity in and around this area from a very reliable source.

Please contact Ms. Stephanie Nixon, Advisory Neighborhood Commission Public Safety Committee Chair, at (412) 612-8881 to discuss any actions that would help to keep our neighborhood safe. Our community does not want this lawlessness to escalate further. We would appreciate a response within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler

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Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

Cc: First District Commander Diane Groomes, Metropolitan Police Department