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Thank you for your testimony. It will be added in bill file.

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Dear Councilwoman Middleton,

I'm not writing on behalf of my community association, but as your constituent I want to let you know that I oppose the passage of Bill 25-0065.

While I hate driving, and look forward to a City less reliant on cars, this bill puts the cart before the horse in a way that impacts the lives of current residents at the expense of presumed future ones. In a City with such woeful public transportation, especially outside of the White L, eliminating parking requirements across the whole City is a shortsighted idea. In certain neighborhoods, sure. But not across the board.

In my experience, developers of multi-unit housing say that the parking lots that they build are not full, but that is often because they charge extra fees for parking, so residents choose to seek street parking. My neighborhood simply could not accommodate a new multi-unit building or conversion that did not provide off-street parking; as it is, neighbors struggle to find spaces in their block, let alone in front of their house, after certain times of day.

If the City can't do a better job of planning, permitting and enforcement, then we're never going to get anywhere. I'd like to see some legislation or investment of resources into those areas before we go down the route proposed by the current bill.

Best wishes, Jennifer Jarvis Heathbrook