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To the City Council;

I would like to let the City Council Members know that I have reviewed the most recent plans for the Washington Place project and want to fully endorse the Architectural integrity of the design concept, the need for the 5 the story zoning change and emphasize how beautifully managed the massing is along Washington Street. The 5 stories at the corner of Washington and Walnut remind us of the Masonic Building across the bridge and the return to 4 stories along Washington and Walnut (5th story beautifully setback) are reminiscent of a series of vertically arrange brick buildings naturally in scale. Washington Street is at a scale and width that is appropriate to handle 5 stories. This is an exciting project because it will revitalize Newtonville and serve to connect Washington St. with Newtonville and encourage pedestrian vitality. If re-zoning for a 5th floor further ensures the success of the project financially and provides more affordable housing, we all need to support this project and the necessary re-zoning

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