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CB71-2016

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Dear Council members,

I am writing in support of CB71-2016. I have been a client of Club Pooche in Columbia (or rather, my lovely rescue dog, Trudy, has!) just starting this past year. Prior to getting Trudy, I spoke at length with Ms. Kamens about dog training, 2 year old rescues, doggy day care, etc. She was so kind and helpful and supportive as I made plans for my new dog and how to best acclimate her to others. Trudy has done spectacularly well at Club Pooche. The staff has gone out of their way to gain her trust and she interacts warmly and well with them. Doggy day care is an important service and has had a tremendously positive impact on my life, and that of Trudy's. I know that she's not only happy and well cared for while I'm at work, but that in fact she'll come home exhausted but happy after her busy, busy day. Ms. Kamens is one of the few providers that provides this service legally and with the appropriate zoning. I would strongly encourage the Council to make this commonsense change to the regulations to correct a misinterpretation of the original language. Without this amendment, doggy day care as a conditional use will effectively be abolished.

If you love dogs, and your constituents who love dogs, you'll support this change.

Best regards,
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