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DEDICATION

The Editorial Board and Staff are privileged to dedicate this Volume of the Washington University Journal of Urban and Contemporary Law to its founder, Daniel R. Mandelker, Stamper Professor of Law, on the occasion of his retirement as Faculty Advisor. Professor Mandelker has been an inspiration to all who are associated with the Journal, and who have worked with him. This dedication represents a fitting testimonial to his efforts on its behalf. As a legal scholar and teacher, Professor Mandelker is a person whose wit, insight, and knowledge of the law as presented to his students and colleagues provides the incentive to strive for excellence in understanding and preparing for the legal profession.

Almost twenty-five years ago, in 1968, Professor Mandelker first established the Journal, which was then known as the Urban Law Annual. In that Volume, he defined the twin goals for the Journal: "to publish the results of empiric research into the legal problems of urban areas, and to publish articles on new and innovative ideas for legal controls, especially as they take statutory form." If one peruses any one of the forty Journal volumes published to date, one will see that in fact his goals have been accomplished. The topics covered have ranged from "housing to highways, and from new towns to billboards" as he described then, and have expanded to include environmental, constitutional, public utilities, educational, and other urban and contemporary issues.

Professor Mandelker described the Journal as an intellectual meeting place for new ideas on urban and regional legal problems through which to make a "hopefully measured but needed contribution to the growing literature on the crisis of urban America." To be sure, he has met his challenge as evidenced by the fact that the over 700 subscribers support the Journal today.

Professor Mandelker, we wish to you all of the very best in your new challenges and goals, and thank you for your guidance over the past years.