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Groups of food trucks together obstruct sidewalks and parking, and they are loud.

I work on 25th Street NW between M and N. I am often a pedestrian in the area. The trucks and their customers descend like locusts. Every weekday, the sidewalks on the north side of M street are rendered almost completely impassable to pedestrian traffic around noon. The trucks take up parking space for hours that is supposed to be available to me, DC taxpayer that I am. The trucks do not honor the meters. Their competing boomboxes are disruptive and intrusive.

Allowing these trucks to congregate on specific blocks also harms the other businesses on those blocks, as their customers have nowhere to park and are put off by the crowding.

One truck on a block, obeying the time restrictions on the meters, is just fine, but not these hordes.

Your consideration is appreciated,

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