Mr. Christopher L. Hill, Chairman  
D.C. Office of Zoning  
Board of Zoning Adjustment  
441 Fourth Street N.W., Suite 200 S  
Washington D.C. 20001

Re: 918 7th Street, BZA 19928, application for a special exception under Subtitle E Sections 206.2 and 5203.3 from the rooftop architectural elements protections of Subtitle E Section 206.1(a) to construct a third-story addition to an existing two-story attached principal dwelling in the RF-1 Zone

Dear Mr. Hill:

On February 13, 2019, at a regularly scheduled, duly noticed monthly meeting of ANC 6C, with a quorum of 6 out of 6 commissioners and the public present, the above-mentioned application came before us.

The commissioners voted unanimously, 6:0:0, to support this application.

The applicant proposes to remove an existing roof overhang on the front façade and construct a new third story with a mansard roof and dormer. The overhang is similar to those seen elsewhere in past applications from owners on Abbey Place. What sets this application apart is that, unlike Abbey Place—where there is marked consistency and a distinctive “character, scale, and pattern” to the streetscape, as referenced in the special-exception standard—this property sits next to only one twin building with the same façade design. The remainder of the block displays a variety of styles.

As a result, removal of the protected architectural element in this case would not have a substantial adverse impact on “character, scale, and pattern” under Section 5203.3.

Thank you for giving great weight to the recommendations of ANC 6C.

On behalf of ANC6C,

Karen Wirt  
ANC 6C chair