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Secretary Clifford W. Moy  
Board of Zoning Adjustment  
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**Re: BZA Application No. 19521A at 3520 S St NW**

Dear Mr. Moy:

We have reviewed the **BZA Application No. 19521A** documents and write to register our support for Mr. Smith's Application. We live at and own 3529 R St NW, which is within the 200-ft radius of 3520 S St NW. The proposed garage/ADU at 3520 S St would be visible from our house and fronts on the alley which our house and 3520 S St share.

We support Mr. Smith's application because his project would improve the neighborhood. We are in no-way affiliated with Mr. Smith or his project. We just want a better neighborhood. While some sections of the Burleith alleys—like the area behind 3541 R St—are clean and well-maintained, that is sadly the exception. For the most part, Burleith alleys are neglected and dilapidated. Trash barrels litter the alley, causing congestion and inviting vermin. Existing garages are mostly in a state of disrepair and are true eyesores. Properties without garages typically have unkempt, unlandscaped gravel parking areas, populated with trash, leaves, and other yard waste, or cars (which are also unsightly). Breaking and entering robberies are not uncommon in Burleith, and the criminals typically access the homes from the dilapidated alleys—the current state of the Burleith alleys invite crime.

Mr. Smith's project offers a brand new, clean, safe, and tidy alternative. Thus, we support his application.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to us at any time.

Sincerely,

Phil and Zeina