COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004

January 14, 2004

Geoffrey Griffis, Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 Fourth Street, NW
Suite 210-S
Washington, DC 20001

RE: BZA: 17092: Appeal of Zoning Administrator's Decision regarding a 24 hour dog kennel at 1412 Q Street, NW

Dear Chairman Griffis:

I am writing in support of the appeal before the Board of Zoning Adjustment in the matter of the dog kennel located at 1412 Q Street, NW (BZA No. 17092).

I agree with the appellants that the Zoning Administrator should not have issued a Certificate of Occupancy for the dog kennel as a matter of right. Dog boarding is not a *per se* use identified by the District's regulations, nor is dog boarding similar in nature to a pet shop. The kennel is incompatible with the commercial and residential zones adjacent to the business. Further, a kennel is substantially different than the previous business located at the address. The previous business, a real estate office, had little or no impact on the neighborhood.

Since the kennel opened for business, my office has received repeated complaints from the neighbors regarding noise levels and odors stemming from animal waste and cleaning chemicals.

As always, thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jack Evans
Councilmember, Ward 2

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