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Re: **BZA Appeal No. 18151**
3003 Van Ness Street, N.W.
Square 2049, Lot 806 ("Property")

Dear Ms. Moldenhauer:

This firm is counsel for the Intervenor, Smith Property Holdings Van Ness, L.P. ("SPH Van Ness"), the owner of the Property which is the subject of this BZA Appeal.

The Intervenor respectfully, but strenuously opposes the last minute request for a three or four month continuance by Mr. Lederer on behalf of the Appellant, Van Ness South Tenant's Association. In all respects, the requested continuance is excessive, not supported by good cause, and extremely prejudicial to the Intervenor, DCRA and the University of the District of Columbia.

Mr. Lederer's letter is unclear whether he is actually unavailable for the hearing, or just inconvenienced as a result of a busy schedule. More importantly, this Appeal is not personal to Mr. Lederer, but brought on behalf of a well established organization. By his own admission, Mr. Lederer's role is limited to being "the signatory on the Notice of Appeal for the Tenant's Association that generated this case," and he has appointed Ms. Karen Perry and/or Ms. Caroline Ganley to act on behalf of the Tenant's Association. As a result, the Appellant, as an organization, has the ability and responsibility to proceed with the hearing as scheduled regardless of Mr. Lederer's availability.

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The Intervenor (and other parties) is ready to proceed with the hearing as long scheduled and the continuance should be DENIED.

Thank you for the Board's cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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