



**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

THE JOHN A. WILSON BUILDING  
1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W.  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004

September 20, 2013

Mr. Lloyd J. Jordan, Chairperson  
D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment  
441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Suite 210  
Washington DC 20001

RE: BZA Appeal No. 18615

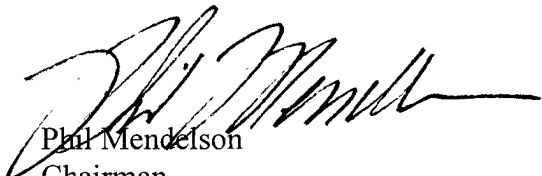
Dear Chairperson Jordan:

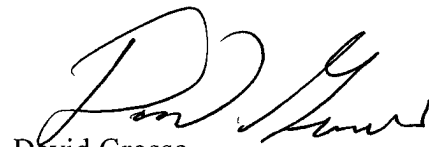
We have been approached by representatives of the appellant in Appeal No. 18615 concerning 5333 Connecticut Avenue, NW. One of their concerns, with which we agree, is that the hearing on the appeal, which is scheduled for Tuesday, September 24, 2013, must neither be delayed or unnecessarily shortened.

Our understanding is that the BZA docket for September 24<sup>th</sup> now contains ten cases, with two having been added just this week. We know that when a day's calendar includes that many cases it is not unusual for cases to be put over to another date. We urge that the Board not only give adequate time for this appeal, but that it act quickly, and without postponement.

Whatever the merits, an appeal almost always involves urgency. This case is no different. It is important that the case be heard and decided promptly (the challenged permits having been issued last spring). Both the appellants and the developer will benefit.

Sincerely,

  
Phil Mendelson  
Chairman

  
David Grosso  
Councilmember At-Large

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