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Board of Zoning Adjustment for the District of Columbia
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Washington, DC 20001
via electronic mail: bzasubmissions@dc.gov

Re: BZA No. 18702, View 14 Investments LLC

Dear Board Members:

The Meridian Hill Neighborhood Association (MHNA) submitted a letter in this proceeding on February 1, 2014. That letter stated that the MHNA neither supported nor opposed zoning relief for the proposed dog day care, and expressed concerns regarding daytime dog walking, and parking and traffic impacts during drop off and pick up hours.

At the hearing held February 4, 2014 the dog day care applicant presented to you two conditions it would meet if granted zoning relief, and indicated that these conditions addressed MHNA's concerns. I would like to clarify that while helpful, the applicant never shared those conditions with the MHNA, and therefore the proposed conditions cannot be construed as an agreement.

Counsel for the opponents of the project kindly shared a photocopy of the conditions with us. Based on our review of the document, I would like to make two observations. First, front yards were not the only concern expressed regarding dog walking; rather, the primary concern involved the sidewalk tree boxes that are typically maintained by residents of the residential district. Second, it is not clear what is the meaning of "14th Street corridor;" for example, whether it would extend beyond 14th St., into the residential streets that intersect 14th Street, such as Belmont Street, Florida Avenue, and W Street.

In the event that the Board grants the requested zoning relief, MHNA would request clarification of those two points and an opportunity for input.

Sincerely,
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Young".
Chris Young
President

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