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1400 Wisconsin Ave NW  
Washington, DC 20007

December 16, 2014

Board of Zoning Adjustment  
441 4<sup>th</sup> Street N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Re: support of BZA application 18884

Dear Sirs

I am the owner of 1357, 1359 Wisconsin Avenue. Both of these buildings have a direct view of the proposed addition by Robert Bell for 1351 Wisconsin Ave. NW. I and my neighbors support the transformation of the derelict alley into a pedestrian alley. Mr. Bell proposed use of this carriage house as a residence is key to the positive transformation we hope to accomplish with the alley.

Following his lead, I am moving forward to build additional residential units with their entrance from the alley which I share with Mr. Bell. Approval of the design will be a tremendous visual improvement for my property and it will provide safety for the people using the ally. Eliminating the parking jamb which was previously located in parking lot behind the Theater will be a great improvement but perhaps even more important is that it will create a residential area where residential yards with individuals living in them will transform the quality of the alley. I am in the process of transforming my properties into residential units and all the neighbor will benefit by the BZA approving this application.

I have reviewed Robert Bell's plans to develop the theatre and the residential behind and they will be an exceptional improvement to the neighborhood. I am looking forward to rejuvenating the character of the block through the restoration of the theatre façade, and establishing an alluring and comfortable location in this section of Georgetown with the expanded commercial space in the front and residential in the alley. Nothing could be a greater contribution to this transformation than BZA approving this application.

I highly recommend that the Board grant approval of Robert Bell's addition to allow residential use of the residential portion of the property.

Thanks,

  
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(Alley neighbor)

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