

To Whom it My Concern;

We live and own 2009 1st NW, the home directly north of the property at 2007 1st NW ("Micro Market,") that has filed application for variances and special exception, #18912. Variance 1 no 20 foot back yard, variance 2 the building covers more than 60% of lot and special exemption for no parking space. The owner has come to us a couple of times and discussed his plans for building a home for his family there and has shown us the prospective plans and renditions. After reviewing them and the application for variances, we support giving him the variances and the special exemption he has requested.

We believe changing this property from a commercial property to residential, in my opinion; will be good for all that live near and around it, adding to the overall beauty of the neighborhood. We are all for the conversion of this property. As we look at Michael's plans, we see he is building in the current footprint of the building which is just smaller than ours. The proposed overall height of his home will be approximately the same height as ours. In addition, the home looks to fit in well with the neighborhood, much better looking and appealing than the current building ("Micro Market"), that is cosmetically unappealing and of need of major renovation to better fit in with the style and beauty of the neighborhood. Improvements to Mr. Pietsch's property will add value to our home, and to the other homes on the block, and across the street.

We want our contractor to look over plans for underpinning of the party wall adjoining our properties, and we want, and insist on the correct insurances covering the proposed work. The structural integrity of our home is very important to us, so we want to insure a licensed engineer designs all work to be done. All inspections are to be done as to assure the project is done correctly without cutting corners.

Signed,


Sloane Strickler

Owner

2009 1st NW, Washington DC

Date

1/13/15