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District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6B

RE: Letter of Support for Insight Property Group Development of Buchanan School
Property (1325 D Street SE)

Dear Members of the ANC and BZA:

My wife and I would like to offer our support for Insight Property Group and their applications for the appropriate variances and special exceptions necessary to move forward with their plans to develop the old Buchanan School property, with an address of 1325 D Street SE.

As we own and reside at 1326 E Street SE, directly adjacent to the property and are likely to be most impacted by the development, we have been pleased with Insight's outreach and discussions regarding their planned development.

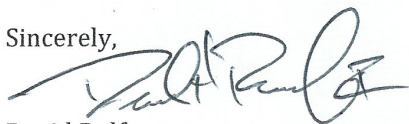
We are impressed with the overall concept, drawings and approach as presented at the community outreach meeting facilitated by Insight in April 2015. Among the most appealing aspects of their plan is blending the design of the proposed new townhomes with the characteristics of existing homes in Capitol Hill; keeping within the R-4 Zoning height requirements for residential homes; including single parking spaces in their design for all the proposed townhomes; and maintaining the historical integrity and architecture of the two oldest school buildings to be converted.

While Insight's planned development is extensive and will increase the density in our immediate area, we feel it is reasonable and will serve to improve the community immensely.

We have discussed our few concerns with Insight, relating to the design and the construction period, and feel confident they will work with us, and the community, to address reasonable concerns. Items we've discussed include maintaining reasonable work days for a residential area during the construction period, approximately 7:00am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday; minimizing dust and debris impacting neighbors during construction with suitable enclosures, especially when doing exterior brick work; security; exterior lighting so as not to cast too much light on our property; enclosed placement of the dumpster for waste management of the condo/apartment unit buildings; and maintaining the historical brick wall that separates our respective properties and its structural integrity.

We hope the ANC and BZA approve the requests submitted by Insight Property Group and look forward to working with them throughout this process.

Sincerely,



David Rolfes