

1113 Allison St. NW
Washington, DC 20011

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Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street NW
Suite 200S
Washington, DC 20001

RE: BZA #19067 – Appeal of 1117 Allison St. NW

Dear Members of the Board,

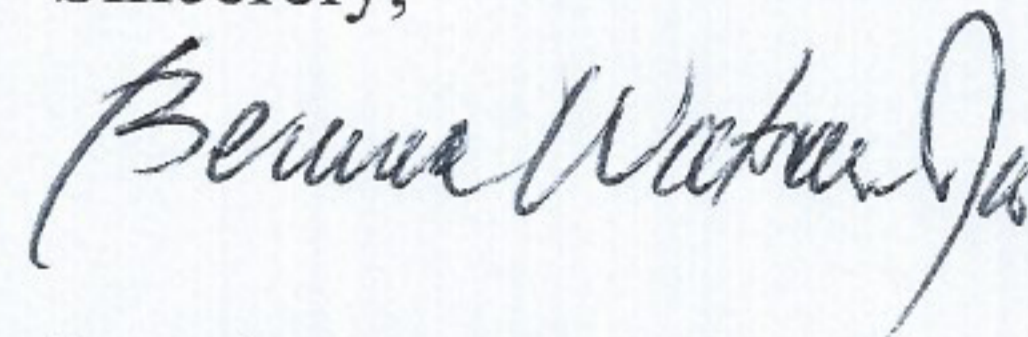
As an intervenor in the appeal of the permit to convert 1117 Allison St. NW to an apartment building, I am submitting this letter in support of the appeal. I ask that you revoke the permit.

I am a second generation living in my home at 1113 Allison St. NW. I have lived on the block for 54 years and am glad to see the positive changes that have occurred on our block. We have professionals on the block, young families with children and retirees. I would like to keep the quiet residential nature of the block to continue to attract long-term residents who care about our neighborhood.

I do not support out of scale and out of character pop-ups and pop-backs in my community. The homes on my street are modestly and similarly sized. There is a uniformity to the rowhomes. The Zoning Administrator made a bad decision when he approved this permit. The new apartment building is much too large for the narrow lot. The developers will add 60 feet to the length of the house. Such an enormous building is inappropriate for a rowhouse lot, especially a rowhouse that sits in the middle of the block. Also, because I live only two houses over from 1117 Allison, I will be negatively affected. The new apartment building will block natural light to my lot, create flooding problems in my basement from the excavation on the lot, and increase parking problems.

Please do not let the developer ruin my neighborhood with this monstrous apartment building. I respectfully request that you grant the appeal and revoke the permit.

Sincerely,



Bennie Watson