

Councilman Evan,

My name is Loyd Rhiddlehoover and I have been a resident of Ward 2 since 2004 when I moved into the District. I am writing to you to ask you to support St. Thomas' Parish's plan to rebuild our church. Yes, our church. Not only am I a Ward 2 resident, I'm a member of the parish and have been for over 10 years. St. Thomas has been an instrumental part of not only my life, but of the greater Dupont Circle community, and it is disappointing to hear that a small group of residents have convinced you not to support our plan to rebuild our church. We need a new church. Our current building is expensive to maintain, is not big enough, and it not ADA compliant. We've waited over 40 years to build a new church and we are ready to move forward with a new design that will restore St. Thomas to it's proper home on 18th St with a distinguished looking building that will be a welcoming home to not only the members of the parish, but also be an asset to the greater Dupont Circle community. Please do not let a small group of residents kill our dream of rebuilding our church so that we can continue to be a light for the community in the many years to come. Please support St. Thomas' Parish at the upcoming ANC and BZA meetings.

Thanks,

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