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Frederick Hill, Chairman  
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Dear Chairman Hill:

I reside at 4701 Connecticut Ave. in Ward 3. As a retired social worker involved in the problems of homelessness in the city, I have attended four meetings at ANC3C and reviewed the public documents in order fully to understand the issues regarding the proposed short term family housing at 3320 Idaho Avenue, NW. I am convinced that this proposal should go forward and that the variances requested are appropriate and necessary for the public good that will result. Without the proposed family housing in Ward 3, the District will not be able to meet its goal of 240 replacement units citywide so D.C. General can finally be closed. Closing DC General, a long-term goal of the District, is essential if we are to improve services to homeless families.

The Ward 3 shelter will accommodate 50 family units in a six-story building. This design meets important programmatic needs, including the security and social needs of the families that will live there. This height is not incompatible with other nearby buildings, nor will operation of the facility adversely affect the surrounding community.

I urge you to grant the three variances needed to construct this facility at 3320 Idaho Ave. NW: more than one primary structure on the lot, the number of stories and building height as well as the requirement for a loading dock. The public good is served by approving this building.

Sincerely,

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