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Subject: in support of the homeless shelter in Ward 3

Frederick Hill, Chairman

Board of Zoning Adjustment
441-4th St., NW, Suite 2105
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Chairman Hill:

Many years ago, a relative of mine lived in a group home in the Midwest for people who were mentally ill, many of whom would have been homeless without it. It was in a very large house in a high-end neighborhood — far more so than the Idaho Avenue location of the proposed homeless shelter. It was a lovely place to live, and although there was a little pushback initially, the neighbors came to accept the group home and its residents, and all lived harmoniously together. I was pleasantly surprised — and inspired to know that that community was enlightened and open-minded enough to make it work.

I sincerely hope our community will do the same for the homeless people in our midst.

I live at 2717 Ordway Street in Ward 3 and hope you will do whatever is necessary to see that the short-term housing at 3320 Idaho Ave., NW, becomes a reality.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Dickey