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To: DCOZ - BZA Submissions (DCOZ)
Subject: Ward 3, Case 19450

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

Dear Chairman Hill:

I live
on Ordway Street NW
in Ward 3. I am writing this letter to
share my strong
support
for
the proposed short term family housing at 3320 Idaho Ave NW.

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or far too long, other wards in the city have done more work to help the homeless while Ward 3 has done very little. It is
time for Ward 3 to do the right thing and be actively involved in helping to end homelessness in our city.

I have discussed this with my friends and family, and they feel the same.
Without this housing in Ward 3, the District will not be able to meet its goal of 240 replacement units for families now
housed at DC General and we won't be able to close DC General. Closing DC General will meet a huge need in our City.

Homelessness is a serious problem in DC. I

applaud the District's effort to build short term housing for homeless families and to place this housing in all wards. The
Ward 3 shelter is designed to accommodate 50 units in a 6-story building. Though concerns have been expressed about
the building's height, I do not believe the design is incompatible with the neighborhood, nor will its operation adversely
affect the surrounding community.

I urge you to grant the variances needed to build this facility: more than 1 primary structure on the lot; the number of
stories and building height; and waiving the loading dock requirement. The Board's approval will advance the public good
and the public interest.

Sincerely,

Zach Ferguson
Cleveland Park