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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my strong support for the 3 variances and the special exception needed to locate an emergency shelter for short-term family housing in ANC3C, located at 3220 Idaho Ave., NW.

I am a resident of ANC3C01 in the Woodley Park neighborhood and have been following the debate about the plan to close DC General and build smaller short-term family housing facilities in all 8 wards closely. I strongly support this plan, including the shared responsibility for hosting social services that it will require from all corners of the city, including from those of us in Ward 3.

Having listened to staff and consultants for the city review their plans at the ANC3C meeting on February 21, 2017, it is clear that they have made changes where possible to respond to ANC members' and nearby residents' concerns but also that the height variance is an integral part of the project's ability to go forward, particularly on the timetable envisioned for closing DC General.

Given the citywide benefits of closing DC General and providing homeless families in DC safer and more supportive temporary space to call home, with hopes of them more quickly moving into permanent homes, I strongly support the 3 variances, including the height variance, and special exception needed to locate the emergency shelter at 3220 Idaho Ave. NW and hope that the Board of Zoning Adjustment will grant them.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter,
Rebecca Barson

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