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Mr. Frederick L. Hill, Chairman
District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW Suite 200 South
Washington, DC. 20001

Re: BZA Case 19659 (FSMB) –2118 Leroy Place, NW Statement of Facts

Dear Mr. Hill:

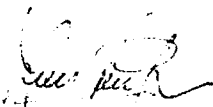
My family and I have lived at 2110 Leroy Place, NW, for 20 years, in a residence on the top floors of our synagogue center. (Religious organizations such as ours have a matter of right to locate in R-3 zoning.) I am making this statement not in behalf of any organization rather as a proud and happy resident of Kalorama.

We have attended many enjoyable and meaningful events in various neighbors' homes on Leroy and Bancroft Places over the years, and a number of neighbors have participated in the celebration of Jewish holidays and observances with us, which are open to all. Our family love to walk the neighborhood, which we do almost daily, and marvel at the splendid surroundings we are fortunate to call home. One of its outstanding features is Mitchell Park, where a truly diverse group of neighbors find a wonderful space to spend leisure time and celebrate events. It is a beautiful park for all to enjoy life and watch all the children grow up over the years.

We might seem like just a neighborhood, but we are really more like an eclectic little community. Many different cultures exist together here, and help each other when needed. We even have some small organization offices and diplomatic missions in our neighborhood which add flavor without disrupting the nature of our surroundings. I truly believe we are blessed with the mix that we have as it is, and want to express support for the unique overall residential character of Leroy Place and Kalorama.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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