

October 7, 2006

Ms. Carol J. Mitten
Chair, District of Columbia Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, NW, Suite 210 South
Washington, DC 20001

**SUBJECT: Inclusion of Additional Contributing Buildings in the Historic District
Proposed by the "Foggy Bottom Campus Plan"**

Dear Ms. Mitten;

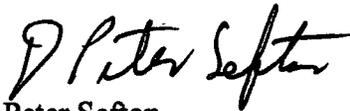
I'm writing on behalf of the DC Preservation League's Landmarks Committee regarding the "Foggy Bottom Campus Plan" now before the commission.

Our committee has been following the hearings on this plan and proposed historic district with considerable interest. I have both a comment and a question on behalf of the committee.

The comment applies to the development sites within the proposed historic district. We hope that any development at site 102B would respect the scale and character of the Woodhull House and other nearby contributing buildings. We also hope that any development at site 102A would maintain the historic openness of the university "quadrangle".

Our question relates to sites 75A and 75B, which would be within the proposed campus boundary but not the historic district. Site 75B, which contains a small cluster of classic Foggy Bottom townhouses, is directly across I Street from the proposed historic district boundary. Site 75A fronts on Pennsylvania Avenue diagonally behind site 75B and is adjacent to the former Keystone Apartments, a proposed historic landmark. It includes buildings that may date to the 1870s. Given that each of these sites contains buildings that would likely be "contributing structures", we are wondering why the historic district's boundaries were drawn to exclude them. The committee urges their inclusion in the historic district in the absence of a compelling reason to the contrary.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.



Peter Sefton
Chair, DCPL Landmarks Committee
For the Committee

Attachments: Illustrations and Map

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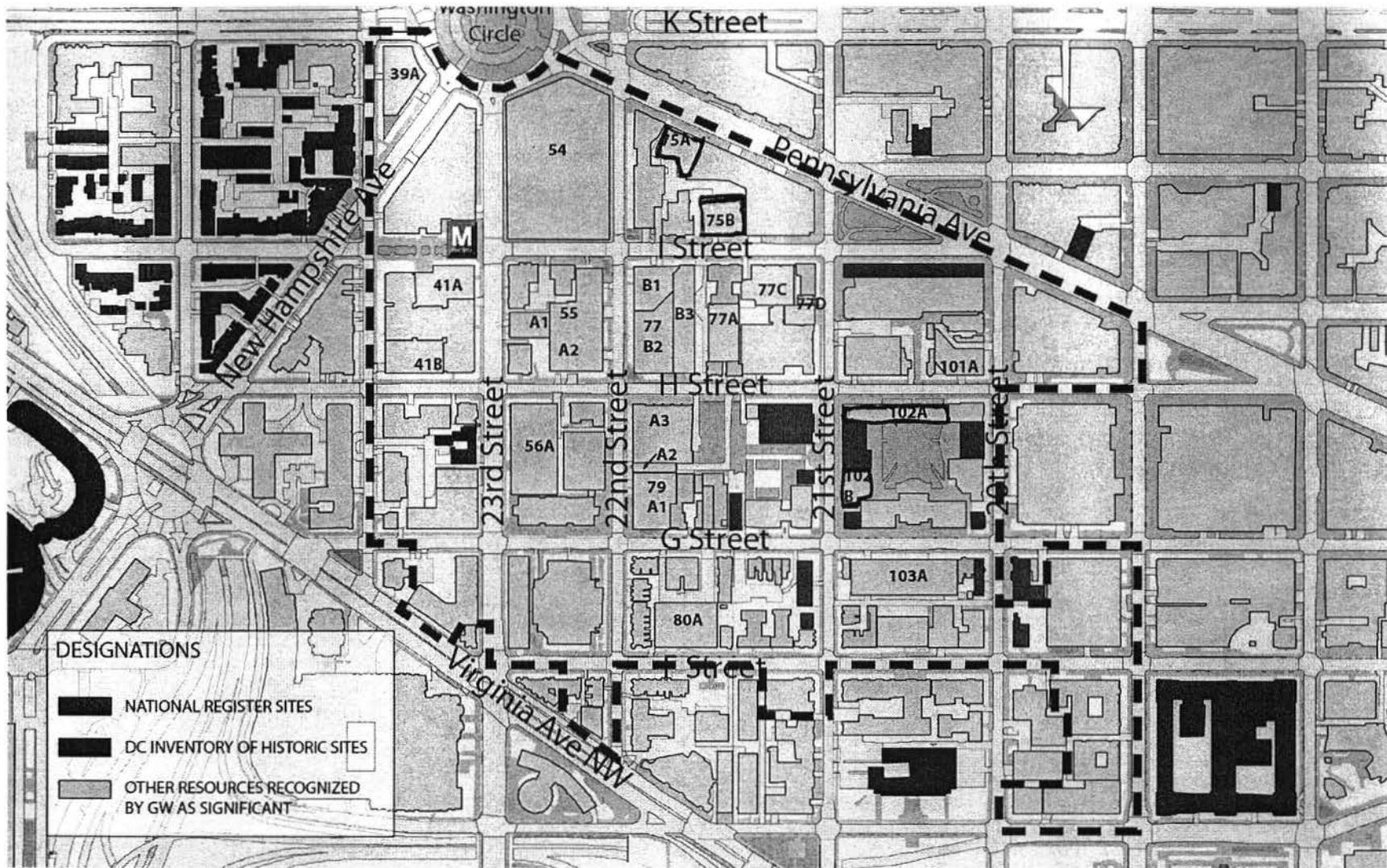
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**SITE 75A
2100 BLOCK
PENNSYLVANIA
AVENUE NW**



SITE 75B
2100 BLOCK
I STREET NW



MAP FROM "FOGGY BOTTOM CAMPUS PLAN" FOR LOCATION REFERENCE