

The Blagden Alley Association

October 30, 2008

Mr. Anthony Hood, Chairman
Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210 South
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Marriott Marquis Convention Center Headquarters Hotel
901 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Hood:

This is to inform you that the Blagden Alley and Naylor Court Association supports the development of the new DC Convention Center Hotel. We have seen presentations on the initial designs and massing information and our members have been enthusiastic about the building's construction.

We are concerned that the design reflect, in so far as possible, the historical nature of the neighborhood, and that the traffic management plan results in the least possible disruption of the residential nature of the immediately adjacent area. The unique ability for the building to utilize underground delivery access should set a good example for future development throughout the downtown area. The long term impact of this capability toward minimizing vehicular and pedestrian traffic issues should be significant.

We expect the Hotel to be a keystone to the completion of development along the Ninth Street corridor in our neighborhood and look forward to the Hotel's completion.

Sincerely,



Richard Neidich
President

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