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November 23, 1998

Mrs. Sheri M. Pruitt – Williams
Interim Director
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OFFICE OF ZONING
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Re: BZA Application Number 16400

Dear Mrs. Pruitt – Williams:

In compliance with 11DCMR Section 3307, specifically Section 3307.1, in regards to the Application of National Association of Concerned Veterans for a variance from the off – street parking requirements (Subsection 210.1) to reduce the number of parking spaces required for a non-residential use to allow a public hall for 300 seats on the first floor in a C-M-1 District at premises 1350 Okie Street, NE (Square 4038 Parcel 142 / 103), the following information is submitted as required:

(a) These comments refer to BZA Application Number 16400;

(b) The public meeting of ANC 5B to consider the matter was held on November 5, 1998;

(c) Meeting notices by leaflets were distributed throughout the ANC 5B area;

(d) Six ANC 5B Commissioners constitute a quorum, and four Commissioners were present;

(e) The issues and concerns related to the matter included;

- The existing parking problems associated with small businesses;
- The safety and security for inmates assigned to the D. C. Department of Corrections, Community Correction Center Number 4, as well as its negative impact on the delivery of services to the Center;

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- Public safety problems in the local neighborhood;
- Loitering and a nuisance in conduct by club members;
- Lack of police patrol and protection;
- Inadequate street lighting and public street parking space;
- Requested variance is not in keeping with the initial use of the premises as previously discussed as a facility for Mike's Home veterans to help rehabilitate veterans in distress; and
- Ivy City residents do not need private clubs to provide opportunities for outsiders to have a negative impact on their neighborhoods.

(f) The Commissioners present strongly recommend the disapproval of the application for any type of variance for the use of a private club;

(g) The vote by the Commissioners to adopt the request to the Board was unanimously;

(h) Chairman George A. Board is authorized to present the report; and

(i) The signature of the Chairman of ANC 5B is authorized to sign the report.

If you have any questions concerning this matter please contact the ANC 5B office on 526-8545.

Sincerely,

George A. Boyd

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Chairman, ANC 5B