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Board of Zoning Adjustment for
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Subject: 2134 Leroy Place NW – Case 2341076

Dear Members of the Board of Zoning Adjustment:

I live at 2135 Bancroft Place NW across the alley from Judy and Mark Siegel at 2134 Leroy Place. Our kitchen and 2 decks look out onto the back of the Siegel's home. We are extremely close, that is, the buildings are large, imposing four-story homes.

The addition planned for 2134 Leroy Place will extend all the way to the property line on the rear of the house and rise almost 2 stories into the air.

On many occasions, I have witnessed D.C. trash removal trucks encountering serious problems clearing the present wall, cement bumper, wrought iron railing and unstable tree especially during icy weather. The tops of the trucks sway back and forth often uncontrollably. I want to put the Siegel's on notice that I will be the first to protest if this kitchen and deck addition causes further problems for heavy government vehicles. It is my understanding that the Siegel's have agreed to remove the tree and that they will bring the building line back one foot. I am not an engineer and I am afraid their architect will only be able to see this situation in the winter. Basically, I do not believe this one foot is enough for clearance purposes.

Further, it is my understanding that the Siegel's will match the wrought iron balcony at the end of the proposed deck in order to match the remaining balcony.

With these changes—getting rid of the tree, bringing back the property line, dropping the kitchen height by one foot (a promise to the Chapin's) and replicating the wrought iron balcony, I will reluctantly agree to support this addition.

Thank you for your time and attention to these details.

Sincerely,

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