March 29, 2000

Ms. Jerrily R. Kress
Director
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

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OFFICE OF ZONING
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dear Ms. Kress:

Thank you for your letter of February 10, 2000, notifying me to appear at a hearing to be held today concerning my application for a variance (BZA Application No. 16564). Since then, I have posted the sign supplied by your office and have provided the required affidavit, with photograph, to your office, both in a timely manner. My wife and I have met with ANC 3G (which gave its assent) to discuss our application and have, to the best of our knowledge, provided all the information necessary to enable the Board of Zoning Adjustment to make a prompt, favorable decision in our case.

As suggested in your letter, I also came to your office to review the file on my application, on March 28. At that time I was surprised to learn that the date for the hearing given in your letter (i.e., March 29, 2000) was incorrect, and that the hearing would take place instead on April 5. My wife and I unfortunately will be away on that date on travel we had planned in light of the information contained in your letter and which we cannot change. We sincerely regret not being able to attend the April 5 hearing but will be represented by our contractor, Mr. Laurent Lafleur of Lafleur Associates. He is knowledgeable about all aspects of the proposed project and will be able to answer any questions which might arise.

The modest addition which we propose to build has been discussed not only with our five immediate neighbors (who all have signed a statement that they have no objection), but also with many other neighbors whose property is not adjacent to ours. No one has had any objection whatsoever to the project; indeed, most have expressed support for it. We therefore hope that the Board of Zoning Adjustment will be able to act promptly and favorably on our application.

Sincerely,

Jonathan B. Rickert

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cc: Mr. Laurent Lafleur

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Exhibit No. 21

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