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Ms. Sheri Pruitt
Secretariat to the Board of
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441-4th Street, NY #210
Washington, DC 20001

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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Re: BZA Application No. 16620; 2741 - 34th Street, NW
Chancery for the Republic of Azerbaijan

Dear Ms. Pruitt:

I live up the next block from the referenced building and across the street from the Belgium Chancery's parking lot. That building dominates that entire block of 34th Street, between Fulton and Garfield streets, and it is totally our of character with the residences on the other side of the street. Unfortunately, nothing can be done about that ugly building, which I have lived across from, for over 33 years.

We now have the opportunity to approve a beautiful structure for use as the Republic of Azerbaijan's chancery. I am certainly in agreement of the usage and I urge the Board to grant adjustment in favor of the Republic of Azerbaijan. I know that I am not the only neighbor who feels this way. Even though some of the neighbors chose not to write a favorable letter for any number of reasons, I still want our voices to be heard by the Board.

Ambassador Pashayev invited the neighbors to a reception at the site and we saw first hand how the building can easily be converted for chancery office use. Such alterations will be limited to the interior of the building and the outward residential character of the building will be maintained. As such, the building will easily blend with both its residential and other chancery neighbors.

Your consideration of my letter is greatly appreciated.

Faithfully yours,

Thomas W. Adams, Ph.D.

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