Ladies and gentlemen

Mr Chairman, ~~Members~~ of the Board. My name is JEF. I am here before you this morning as the Vice President of K.P.C. ~~the~~ Keystone Ohio construction was retained prior to Settlement to provide Construction Services for the building formerly located at 1412 Chapin St. N.W.

We were in the phase of ~~constructing~~ Preconstruct designing & the project prior to the Contracting of Aug 11, 00.

I have been involved in all facets of Construction for the past 20 years ~~the past~~ the last 7 with KPC.

I have been directly involved in the ~~Construction~~ development and construction of over 1 million Sq ft of Office, Industrial Retail and residential ~~structures~~ projects throughout the ~~Country~~ ~~DC~~ metro Area

BZA
Case No. 16669
Exhibit No. 31

KPC is routinely called upon for these challenging renovations involving major Structural Shoring and Intricate construction means. We are currently renovating 1701 and 1832 9th St. N.W., ~~DC~~ The projects are smaller in Size ~~and~~ than Chapin

Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
CASE NO.16669
EXHIBIT NO.31

However they are is worse
Structural Shape than Chapin Appeared
upon all of our preliminary evaluations.

Our Observations and studies and
recomedation to the owners prior to ~~sett~~ their
Settlement on the property was to fully
renovate and modernize the existing Structure and Add
1 Level of under ground parking.

Our evaluation of the facade showed
typical sign of Metal Fatigue and
other Stress that are rarely repaired
in this type of renovation. Our
over all Evaluation of the masory facade
was positive and ~~we~~ We deemed
it Suitable for renovation.

We employed Elliot ~~by~~ Bryan (Wayne Bryan)
Structural Engineer to begin the
design of the temporary bracing
(wooden Timbers) and again his
Analysis of the Structure ~~it~~ concluded
that the building ~~could~~ be Structure
could be maintained during the
Construction process

Ms Bryan and myself had conducted a detailed scope of works through a very in depth tour we took of the property 10 days prior to the collapse.

I became aware of the catastphy by viewing the 11:00pm ABC news and immediately left my home in Abermain and proceed to the site. It was an overcast summer night with ~~Sporatic~~ scattered thunder storms.

~~With I Arrived at the site it was met by several officials~~

When I first arrived at the site ~~After~~ my 1st observation was that it was not as bad as the news had made it out to be

I began focusing on how to shore the remaining structure.

I then met with Mr Vincent Ford of DCRA who had every intention of RAZing the structure by Emergency Contract that night

After Mr Ford and myself toured the site he afforded ~~me~~ us ~~the~~ opportunity to share the shred ~~The~~ provided it

was well underway with process

was well under way by noon of the following day.

I was on site the night by 8:00 PM DCEMA Fire department Bureau on site and evacuation adjacent apartment building and shopping Centers.

We believed the cold have saved the structure however, we have been afforded additional time to do so.

At about 11:00 due to the concurrence of several Agencies that were on the scene the Structure must be razed. Arnie Shelton of DCRA issued the notice to commence RAZE immediately.

We, our ~~[illegible]~~ our Objections, Complied with this order ~~[illegible]~~ and did raze the Structure throughout the following days