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Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th St. NE, Suite 210-S
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RE: Application # 16709

To Whom It May Concern:

As a Capitol Hill residents for more than 16 years, we are writing to support the efforts of our neighbors, Bill and Kate Brannon, to improve and expand their property at 301 Third Street SE.

For many years we were saddened to see the property in total disrepair – the paint was peeling, the yard was a mess—it was a complete eyesore. Kate & Bill purchased the property, fixed up the façade and dramatically changed the entire complexion of the corner. Their efforts to clean up and improve the lot were a welcome addition to the neighborhood. Now the yard and building are both beautiful and well maintained. It makes us all feel more secure and improves the quality of life in the entire area.

Bill and Kate have demonstrated their profound commitment to both the historical integrity and community improvement ethic that defines Capitol Hill. Like us, they live and work in the community. The city at-large, and Capitol Hill specifically, benefit immeasurably from their commitment to making this a great place to live.

We are confident that the variance they seek will not only improve the property at 301 Third St, but the neighborhood as well. They are responsible stewards of their properties and considerate neighbors. The design of the addition they seek is in keeping with the historic nature of the area.

As you consider their application, it is our sincere hope that you will give substantial weight to the views of those of us who live in and actively support the strong sense of community improvement that has long been the hallmark of Capitol Hill.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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