June 4, 2001

Board of Zoning Adjustment
Government of the District of Columbia

Ladies / Gentlemen:

Re: Application No. 16717

As the owners and occupants of 2128 Bancroft Place, NW, we would be directly, and adversely, affected by the zoning variance for 2132 Bancroft Place, NW, requested in Application No. 16717. At present, we are abroad and therefore cannot attend the public hearing on July 3, 2001, but we wish to register by this letter our strong objection to the proposed variance, and to support the similar objection by our neighbors George J. Palladino and Jerold St. George, residents of 2130 Bancroft Place, NW.

In view of our unavoidable absence on July 3, we hereby authorize George J. Palladino and Jerold St. George to represent us, and we specifically authorize them to bind us before the Board (in accordance with para. 3106.1 of the Title 11 DCMR Zoning Regulations). Our authority to be represented as a party in the proceedings (under para 3106.2) stems from the direct impact of the proposed variance on 2128 Bancroft Place, NW, of which we are owners and occupants. Our property, specifically the rear garden area and facing rooms (similar to the situation at 2130

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Bancroft Place, NW), its enjoyment and its value, would be negatively affected, and we therefore strongly oppose granting the variance. Our property is located approximately 25' from the applicants' property (with 2130 Bancroft Place, NW, intervening). The proposed addition would cut off much sunlight coming into our garden and the living room, dining room, kitchen, library, and three bedrooms on all three floors of our building facing the garden area, and across the garden behind 2130 Bancroft, the rear area of 2132 Bancroft Place, NW. Our property, together with that at 2130 Bancroft, would thus be directly and immediately affected adversely, justifying our request to be considered a party to the proceedings, and to be represented in our absence by Messrs. Palladino and St. George.

Sincerely,

Raymond L. Garthoff

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