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Jerrillly R. Kress, FAIA
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Dear Ms Kress,

I am resident very close to the eyesore that has been inflicted on Arizona Ave.

In response to a previous questionnaire which asked for my recommendation whether or not Jacobsen Builders Inc. be given an exception to authorize construction of a new single family dwelling at 2989 Arizona Avenue N.W. I replied in the affirmative, thinking that a high quality single family dwelling dwelling would certainly be better than living with the ill considered, if not presumptuous, land clearance that Mr. Jacobsen undertook clandestinely.

I have since changed my mind. I would not agree to giving Mr. Jacobsen *carte blanche* to go ahead at this time. His record in this matter is suspect. I suggest that the BZA should impose a construction moratorium for the full period permitted under the District of Columbia Zoning Laws, requiring immediate replanting of trees and landscaping of the excavation.

However, since I still do not want our lovely area to have the scar of Mr. Jacobsen's work for any longer, I would be agreeable to a solution wherein Mr. Jacobsen prepares his building plan in a mode understandable to lay persons for landscaping and the residence he proposes to construct. If that plan is approved by the Arizona Avenue Citizens Committee and such other entities whose approvals are necessary, I would allow him to proceed with the construction. If not, I refer you to my previous paragraph.

Very truly yours,

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