HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD
STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Landmark/Historic District:
Greater 14th Street Historic District
Addresses:
1523 Vermont Avenue, N.W.

Meeting: **April 27, 2000**

( ) Consent Calendar
(X) Agenda

H.P.A. Number: **00-330**
Date Received: **March 31, 1999**

Staff Reviewer: **Eve Barsoum**

(X) Alteration
( ) New Construction
( ) Demolition
(X) Conceptual Review

The applicant seeks conceptual approval to add a roof deck at the rear of this historic rowhouse located next to an alley.

Staff has sought to minimize the amount of alteration of historic fabric and its visiblity from Vermont Avenue. The portion of the parapet wall behind the chimney will be raised to obscure the deck structure. A metal circular stair will be added at the rear for access.

Staff recommends that the metal railing be erected in alignment with the "inside" face of the chimney, in an effort to minimize the impact of the alteration. The applicant has not agreed to this location.

The staff recommends that the Board find that the conceptual proposal would be consistent with the purposes of the preservation law provided that the railing aligns with the inside face of the chimney and delegate final approval to staff.

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