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July 5, 2001

Mrs. Sheila Cross Reid
Chairperson
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW, Room 201
Washington, DC 20001

Re: 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW -- BZA Application No. 16744

Dear Mrs. Reid and members of the Board of Zoning Adjustment:

I wrote a strong letter of support on April 13, 2001, which I understand is already part of the public record. I am delighted this special project has received the expedited treatment it deserves.

Mr. Hellman's 500 New Jersey Avenue, NW is the right building for a unique and important site. It would be a valuable addition to improve the hotel business in this neighborhood consistent with the philosophy and intent of the HR Overlay zoning that applies.

I am hopeful that you and your colleagues see the same merit that we do and that you can quickly approve the needed variances so it can proceed.

Sincerely,

Mac McNeill
Managing Director

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