May 24, 2001

Board of Zoning Adjustment
for the District of Columbia
Washington, D.C.

To Whom it May Concern:

This letter is to request the Board to expedite the holding of a hearing to grant a variance for a renovation project on our property. We appeal to the Board to grant us this request as we are facing great hardship, expense and delay with every passing day. As you are certainly aware, such projects have many details to prepare, coordinate and put in place and for us these included arranging for reasonable lodgings to which we would move during the construction work. Given the delay these arrangements are now in jeopardy. Delays also result in higher prices, increasing significantly project costs we will be forced to bear.

For our part, in order to expedite the process we have spoken with all of our neighbors and they all support our wishes. This includes the Davis family, the immediate neighbor most directly affected who have said they would be willing to appear at the hearing on our behalf.

Accompanying this letter, please find documents supporting our claim as requested in the application form. Please note in the attached photographs that neighboring houses on our street are located closer to each other than is our case.

The circumstances are that our architect failed to secure approval of the variance though he informed us earlier the variance had been granted. We only discovered this discrepancy when we applied to the city for permits and the concerned officials asked us to produce the variance.

Therefore, we appeal to the Board to help remove these substantial difficulties and expedite the variance hearing. If we could please have the hearing before your August break that would be greatly appreciated. Thank you very much for your consideration of our case.

Sincerely,
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