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Jerrily R. Kress, FAIA
Director
DC Board of Zoning Adjustment
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Suite 210-S
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Dear Ms Kress:

I am writing you regarding an application the Zoning Board is considering for a "Special Exception to permit an Antenna other than a Commercial Broadcast Antenna use in the R-I-B District" located at Pennsylvania and Branch Avenue, SE.

This request should be summarily denied. The propose location of this Tower places the total residential community and their children at risk. Perhaps the members of the zoning board are not familiar with this area of Washington DC but as a resident of this community for over 30 years and through the efforts of the two civic associations (Penn Branch and Fort Dupont), and the ANC Commissioners, we have been able to provide our families with a healthy, safe and wholesome environment. The proposed tower if approved would destroy over fifty years of community cohesiveness and stability in this neighborhood. In addition, the property values would be decreased and the scenic view of the city would be forever impaired.

I am confident that SBA, Inc. could find a more suitable area for its business adventures. It is further noted that a company from Boca Raton, Florida would not or could not appreciate the considerable health hazards research has shown this type of Tower generates in residential areas. I implore you to deny this application and protect the integrity of our community. **This is our home, our investment, our future and our past – we urge you to help us preserve this residential area.**

If further information is desired, please do not hesitate to contact Thetus D. Boyd, ANC Commissioner. Your careful consideration of this request is appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Geraldine P. Boykin

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City Council

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