HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD
STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Property Address:	**1742 N Street, NW**		Agenda
Landmark/District:	**Dupont Circle**	X	Consent Calendar
		X	Concept Review
Meeting Date:	**October 25, 2001**	X	Alteration
H.P.A. Number:	**01-559**		New Construction
Staff Reviewer:	**Steve Callcott**		Demolition
			Subdivision

The applicant, Gropu Goetz Architects for SLS Real Estate Associates, seeks conceptual design review for construction of a three-story addition on the rear of a pair of rowhouses in Dupont Circle. The addition would not be visible from the street.

The matching rowhouses have long since been internally joined and used for offices. The rear elevations are quite utilitarian, and have been altered with the construction of a large concrete block elevator shaft. The proposals calls for eliminating the exterior fire escape located in a court between the houses, and enclosing the court with a contemporary glass and steel enclosure to house a new code compliant fire stair. The design intent is keep the glass skin of the addition as transparent as possible, allowing the retained portions of the rear walls to remain visible, while creating the necessary interior space.

The staff recommends that the Review Board approve the project as consistent with the purposes of the preservation law and delegate final approval to staff.

Project approved by HPRB in concept as part of consent calendar on October 25, 2001.

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