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Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

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Mr. Geoffrey Griffis
Chairperson, Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW, Suite 210
Washington, DC 20001

RE: **BZA Application #16823, Humberto Gonzalez, Variance to Allow the Expansion of a B&B from 6 Sleeping Rooms to 11 or More, with Group or Social Events in an R-5-D District at 1720 16th St., NW**

Dear Chairman Griffis:

At its meeting on May 8, 2002, ANC 2B once again considered BZA Application #16823, an application by Humberto Gonzalez for a variance to allow the expansion of a bed and breakfast from six sleeping rooms to eleven or more with group or social events in an R-5-D District at 1720 16th Street, NW. With six of seven commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly called public meeting, the following motion was unanimously approved:

> ANC 2B protests BZA Application #16823 by Humberto Gonzalez for a variance to allow the expansion of a bed and breakfast from six sleeping rooms to eleven or more with group or social events in an R-5-D District at 1720 16th Street, NW. ANC 2B further reauthorizes the negotiation of a binding voluntary agreement to address issues of neighborhood concern.

Since its first vote to protest this matter in January, ANC 2B has conducted several sessions with the applicant, neighbors, and the Dupont Circle Citizens Association. A draft voluntary agreement is currently under consideration by all parties. Although there are a few outstanding issues to resolve, I am hopeful that we may successfully conclude negotiations. Commissioner Jeff Hopp, in whose Single Member District this premises is located, and I will represent the interests of ANC 2B in this matter. Please feel free to contact Commissioner Hopp at Jeff.Hopp@DupontCircleANC.net or on (202) 332-8508 x4. I may be reached at Vince.Micone@DupontCircleANC.net or on (202) 305-1756 for additional information or assistance. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION:

Very truly yours,

Vince Micone
Chairperson

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