Foggy Bottom and West End
Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC-2A)

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February 4, 2002

Ms. Jerrily Kress
Director
D.C. Office of Zoning
Suite 210
Washington, D.C. 20004

**RE: BZA Appeal No. 16830 – 909 Hughes Mews, N.W. (Lot 888, Square 16)**

Dear Ms. Kress:

This letter is a follow-up to ANC-2A's submission of January 29, 2002 in the above-titled Appeal. The pre-hearing submission prepared by Mr. Cornish Hitchcock for ANC-2A details the reasons why ANC-2A believes the decision to grant a construction permit for 909 Hughes Mews by the D.C. Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs does not meet the requirements of Title 11.

At its regular monthly meetings on July 18, 2001 and on January 23, 2002, properly noticed, ANC-2A considered the above-titled matter. Four Commissioners constitute a quorum for ANC-2A, and at the January 23, 2002 meeting, with all six Commissioners present, ANC-2A voted 5 "yes" and 1 "no" to pass a resolution appealing the building permit that was granted on October 17, 2001 by the Director, D.C. Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs, to construct a new, single-family dwelling at 909 Hughes Mews (Lot 888, Square 16) because the structure does not meet the requirements of Title 11 DCMR in a number of respects.

The resolution also authorized the hiring of attorney Mr. Cornish Hitchcock to write a "brief" (ANC-2A's pre-hearing submission of January 29, 2002) that would outline the ANC's position and that would stand for ANC-2A's report in the appeal. The resolution also authorized Commissioner Richard Price to represent the ANC at the February 12, 2002 scheduled hearing before the BZA to further argue the pre-hearing submission.

The ANC-2A will recommend that the decision of the Zoning Administrator be reversed, the building permit be vacated, and that construction be halted until such time as the property owner, Dr. Forest K. Harris, obtains the required variances to abate the violations regarding construction of a dwelling in the R-3 Zone of the Foggy Bottom Historic District.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth B. Elliott,
Chair, ANC-2A

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