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Mr Jerrily R Kress, FAIA
Director
Government of the District of Columbia
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, N.W. Suite 210-S
Washington, DC 20001

re:Application number 16886
Application of Stephen J. Sweeney
330 8th Street SE
Square 924, Lot 826

Dear Mr. Kress:

Applicants request for a variance should be denied for the following:

1- This property has previously been granted a variance for a new kitchen addition.

2- The second variance request is for a second floor that by its design rises in the rear from the center overlooking over the back yards and garages on 9th Street, taking away our back yard privacy. Every house on 8th Street slopes DOWN from the front, this property will slopes UP if this new variance is granted.

3- When the first variance was granted for the new kitchen it was for only one story, so as not to take away the privacy from the back yards on 9th Street.

4- The garage for this property has been illegally converted (an illegal third variance) to a rental, having its roof raised and a large bubble installed on top, the garage door

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was removed and a wall and an entrance door installed, telephone and light service is also supplied to this rental. When a tenant opens the light in this rental the top of the roof throws off the light. When ever this incursion on our rights is raised, we are all told that it is not rented (at the time,)but, the garage door is not restored, the bathroom, and other living facilities are not removed, and it will soon be rented again unless the garage is again converted back to a garage and used for parking cars as required.

5- I believe an inspection of the property and measurement will show that it will also be below lot occupancy requirement (no request for a variance on larger than allowed lot occupancy has been submitted).

6- The applicant I believe is trying to mislead the Board by getting signatures from neighbors on 8th Street but ignoring the impact on the privacy of the back yards of the houses on 9th Street.

I am sorry I cannot take the day off to be at the hearing on Tuesday June 18, 2002, but I truly hope this letter will be given the same consideration as if I were present.

Thank you for your help and consideration.

Very truly yours,

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