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Mr. Geoff Griffis, Chairman
D.C. Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street NW
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Dear Mr. Griffis and members of the Board:

This letter is in regard to APPLICATION NUMBER: 16916.

I am the owner of 207 C St. NE, two doors down from the Friends Committee's property at 245 2nd St. NE and have received notice from you of their application for a variance to allow the enlargement of their office space. Having reviewed and discussed their development plans at an Open House on September 9, 2002, I am in support of their application for a variance and would like to go on record as so being based on the plans I saw.

Although my property is presently divided into three (3) apartments and I do not live there, I am naturally very interested in and concerned with any change whatsoever in the immediate neighborhood and particularly in such a close by property. Therefore, I was most pleased to have the opportunity to review the development plans and drawings at the September 9 Open House held by the Friends.

The proposed restoration of the C Street facade of their building is entirely appropriate and in keeping with the historic character of our block and, in fact, will be an enormous improvement over their existing facade. The added height on a portion of the building will have no discernable impact on the streetscape due to its setback. The proposed 2nd Street facade is also, I feel, an improvement over the existing structure especially since it will include extensive landscaping with lighting. I was also pleased to see that the parking spaces will remain [I think they loose one spot] and more importantly that the spaces will be "masked" from the 2nd St. view by the garden.

I have owned my C St. property since 1977 and have found the Friends Committee to be a considerate neighbor. I appreciate their outreach to the community by providing many opportunities for the neighbors to view and discuss their development plans.

Once again, I support this application.

Sincerely,

Nancy P. McKinley

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