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DAVID A. CATANIA
Councilmember-At-Large

November 22, 2002

Mr. Geoffrey H. Griffis, Chairman
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW; Room 210
Washington, DC 20001

Re: BZA Case 16951

Dear Chairman Griffis:

I am writing to oppose the application of Southwest Properties, Inc., for a zoning variance to allow the establishment of a management office at 1921 Kalorama Road, NW.

Residents of this building, along with Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C, have expressed their opposition to such a variance. As you are aware, the opinion of the Advisory Neighborhood Commission is to be awarded "great weight" by your office ("Comprehensive Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Reform Amendment Act of 2000" (D.C. Law 13-135)).

For over one year, Realty Management Services had been using an apartment as a consolidated office for the numerous properties it manages. This behavior is in clear violation of the laws regarding R-5-B District in which 1921 Kalorama Road, NW, is located. Now that Realty Management has been cited by the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs for this infraction, it is applying for a variance. The residents and neighbors of this facility are opposed to that variance and I join them in that opposition.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. Please do not hesitate to contact my office at (202) 724-7772 if I may be of further assistance.

Sincerely yours,

David A. Catania
Councilmember (At-Large)

cc: Advisory Neighborhood Commission 1C
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