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Letter in Support of ZC Case No. 25-06

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Members of the Zoning Commission,

Hello,
My name is Rasik and I am a resident of Ward 5. I recently had a child and I would love to move into a small townhome but there no small homes within our budget in DC. Sometimes it feels like the American Dream is never going to happen for my generation. So many people I know want to expand their families, but are constrained by the lack of housing options.

That is why I strongly support the proposed text amendment in ZC-25-06. Alley housing can help address affordability, increase neighborhood safety through active usage, and enhance community character.

But DC is in a housing crisis, and we urgently need to build more homes. To help support housing creation, the Zoning Commission should consider:

1. Eliminating expensive parking mandates for alley homes.
2. Aligning unit limits with the limits of their zones.
3. Aligning the height limits of alley homes with their zones.

These changes will help us build a more inclusive, vibrant, and affordable DC.

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