**Government of the District of Columbia**
**ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3-D**
P.O. Box 40846
Palisades Station
Washington, D.C. 20016

April 8, 2004

Mr. Geoffrey Griffis, Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street NW Suite 210-S
Washington DC 20001

**BZA #17159 – Michael and Catherine** Ryan seek a special exception to allow a rear addition to an existing single-family semi-detached dwelling at 5104 Sherier Place, NW.

Dear Mr. Griffis:

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3D held its regularly scheduled monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 7, 2004 at Sibley Memorial Hospital's Ernst Auditorium. A quorum was present (4) at all times. Proper notice was given more than seven days in advance of this meeting in the Northwest Current newspaper, around the neighborhoods, on our website (www.anc3d.org) and by fax and phone.

One of the items on our agenda was BZA 17159. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ryan seek a special exception pursuant to Section 223 to permit an addition to the rear of their home at 5104 Sherier Place, NW

Mr. Ryan and his architect appeared before the Commission. They had previously distributed plans, photos and a list of neighbors who had approved this addition. The Ryans have lived in their home for a number of years and their children are growing and need extra room. They love the house and don't want to move. This addition will give them the space they need. The lot occupancy does not exceed 50%.

After hearing from Mr. Ryan and learning the reasons they seek this addition and that they met all requirements (lot occupancy, approval of neighbors, fits needs of the family) The Commission voted 5-0-0 to approve this request. Therefore, we ask that the Board give our decision the "great weight" to which it is entitled.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Alma H. Gates
Alma H. Gates, Esq.
Chair, ANC3D

**BZA**
**Case No. 17159**
**Exhibit No. 23**

Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
CASE NO. 17159
EXHIBIT NO. 23