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Mr. Geoffrey Griffis,
Chairman
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210 South
Washington, DC 20001

Application No. 17208; Pablo Martinez, 1207 Clifton Street, NW; Application for Special Exception

Dear Mr. Griffis:

My name is Rosalyn Overstreet Gonzalez and I write to support the Board's issuance of a Special Exception to Mr. Pablo Martinez to allow him to modify his existing rear deck. I have had the opportunity to spend time with Mr. Martinez on his deck and I find that it is a very nice addition to his home.

Mr. Martinez has maximized the use of the space at the rear of his home. In addition to the deck space, he has created a space that allows him to store his vehicle on his property. I have been a resident of Clifton Street for 18 years now and have watched this area explode with lots of newly renovated homes and condominiums. As a result, the number of vehicles has also increased and the limited amount of available on-street parking has rapidly decreased. Mr. Martinez's choice to park in the rear of his home provides an opportunity to those who do not have off-street parking to occupy one of the very limited available spaces.

I understand that the presence of the deck as it is now, has presented some controversy. However, this controversy is not insurmountable. Issuance of a Special Exception for modification of the existing deck will meet the interests of the Board of Zoning, and the interests of Mr. Martinez and his neighbors.

Sincerely yours,

Rosalyn Overstreet Gonzalez

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