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Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
441 Fourth Street, NW, Suite 220 South
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RE: BZA # 17521 - Application of 601-645 H Street Ventures LLC

Dear Members of the Board:

I am writing **in opposition** to application #17521. I lived in this neighborhood for 29 years. This building will have a negative effect on my home and community, if this project goes forward in its current form. It will destroy the view of the sunrise, take up too much ground space at the rear of the properties on the 6th and 7th Street sides, where no concessions have been made.

I am not against the development on this site, but the design is too large, is too close to the surrounding properties, and is completely out of scale and proportion with this residential community of historic townhouses. The style of the design undercuts the historic architectural style of this neighborhood, making no attempt to blend in. The design is generic and unattractive, and fails to meet the H Street design requirements, which were intended to stop the spread of poor-quality buildings that have plagued H Street for too long.

The design of the building will also burden the neighborhood with an unreasonable volume of traffic congestion and parking overflow. The adjoining residential blocks are already taxed to the limit by traffic congestion and parking overflow. The proposed design does not make adequate arrangements for the hundreds of additional cars that would be attempting to access that site daily.

The developer is asking for special exceptions to get approval for this design, but has not shown how this development will meet design requirements, or how it will deal with the traffic, parking, and noise problems it will create. *I, along with many of my neighbors, **oppose this project.***

Thank you for your time and attention regarding this matter. And, for taking the concerns of the neighbors and the community into consideration. Please feel free to contact me at (202) 544-7210.

Sincerely,

Sharon R. Summers

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