

February, 27 2017

Frederick Hill, Chairman

Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW Suite 2108
Washington, DC 20001
BZA Application No. 19452

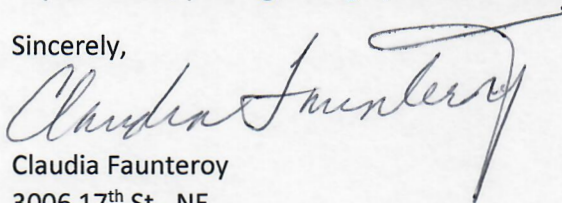
Dear Chairman Hill:

My name is Claudia Faunteroy and I have lived at 3006 17th St., NE for over 60 years. My house, once owned by my grandmother, is within one block and direct site of the proposed shelter at 1700 Rhode Island Ave., NE. While I am in full support of the city's plan to make homelessness in the District a rarity, **I am not in support of the city's current proposal, as it is designed.**

I urge the board to reject the significant variances and special exceptions from zoning regulations required to build the facility as it is currently designed. The number of variances, and their magnitude, indicate the proposed structure is NOT in alignment with the selected site or its neighborhood. The relief requested for other locations (Ward 3 - Case No. 19450: 3 variances requested; Ward 6 - Case No. 19463: NO variances requested; Ward 7 - Case No. 19379: 1 variance requested) demonstrates that in other wards, the city was able to locate sites that more closely met program requirements. We, the citizens who will be most impacted by the poor site selection and design ask them to do the same in Ward 5.

I urge you to reject the requests of the city to build a structure in our quite neighborhood that will impact traffic, parking, sunlight, and so much more for generations to come.

Sincerely,



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