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October 16, 2018

Sara Benjamin Bardin Director, Office of Zoning Suite 210 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC 20001

RE: BZA#19854—824 13th Street, NE

Dear Director Bardin,

This 693 square foot vacant lot has 33 feet of frontage on the east side of 13<sup>th</sup> Street and is 21 feet deep. The south side of the lot abuts a 10 foot wide alley. The applicant wishes build three story plus cellar, two unit flat that occupies 100% of the lot. He needs a special exception from the parking requirements of one parking space per two units and variances from the lot occupancy, rear yard, and side yard requirements. There currently no provision for the location of garbage cans.

The Committee found that the applicant did not meet the test for a variance. A less grandiose plan of one unit can be built. The Committee believes that the applicant can easily build a one unit house with indoor parking and garbage storage accessed from the alley. The CHRS Zoning Committee heard this case at its meeting on September 13, 2018, and voted to oppose the application.

Respectfully,

Gary M. Peterson, Chair

Capitol Hill Restoration Society

**Zoning Committee**