To: ANC Commissioners – Aaron Landry, Ed Hanlon

Edwin Button

From: Edwin Britton, Homeowner/Resident – 1838 15th Street NW

Subject: 1832 15th Street NW - Request for Special Exceptions for Rear Additions

Date: October 1, 2019

Dear ANC Commissioners:

I am writing in opposition to the request by 1832 15th Street NW for "special exceptions from the rear addition requirements, from lot occupancy requirements and from the accessory building rear yard requirements to construct a two story rear addition with a basement to an existing, attached principal dwelling unit, and a second story addition to a detached accessory building".

As the homeowner/resident of 1838 15th Street NW since 1972 (47 years), I and my family have lived at our home the longest on our block. A beautiful block which has small open front yards and very nice open air, light filled backyards. We have been very happy in our home.

I understand the homeowners at 1832 would like to significantly enlarge their home through a large rear addition and addition to their garage. It is very concerning to me that such a significant change would reduce the light to the rear of our homes and may create a precedence for future large expansions. Through the years I have seen many home improvements on the block, however this proposed construction is way beyond what I have seen on the block. My next-door neighbor has a beautiful back porch which has ample open-air ventilation and has railings downstairs and upstairs therefore very open to the sun light. Very different then the proposed improvements at 1832 15th Street NW.

For these reasons, I am opposed to the request for special exceptions. Thank you.