

October 13, 2020

via IZIS

Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Letter in Support of BZA Case No. 20363 – 514 Archibald Walk, SE

Dear Members of the Board,

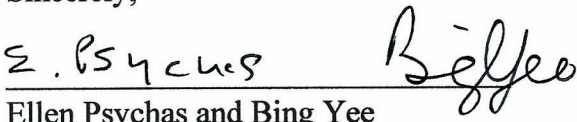
Our names are Ellen Psychas and Bing Yee. We have owned 516 Archibald Walk, SE, the property directly next door to 514 Archibald Walk, SE, since 2011. We are writing to give our support for the BZA application. We have spoken to Peter and Karen Byrne, the owners of the property, and they have been responsive in answering our questions about their proposed project, and in sharing project plans with us.

We understand that the Byrnes are requesting special exception relief from the Board of Zoning Adjustment in order to add a second story to the existing garage and convert most of it to a residential unit. We further understand that our neighbors' project is subject to review by the Historic Preservation Review Board.

We would like the BZA to know that we approve of the Byrnes' proposed project design. Moreover, we appreciate that they wish to maintain their existing parking space. Therefore, we are writing in support of their BZA application and look forward to seeing the finished project. We expect the Byrnes' project, when completed, to increase the value of our adjacent property. We also expect the project to enhance the security and look of Archibald Walk SE, a somewhat neglected historic alley/pedestrian walkway which all of us treasure.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,


Ellen Psychas and Bing Yee
Owners of 516 Archibald Walk SE, Washington DC 20003