April 27, 2022

To the attention of: Mr. Frederick L. Hill, Chairman **Board of Zoning Adjustment** 441 4th St. NW, Suite 210S Washington, DC 20001 dcoz@dc.gov

RE: BZA Application No. 20594; Variance Application of Mrs. Nezahat Harrison and Mr. Paul Harrison

Dear Chairman Hill and Members of the Board:

As residents of the Forest Hills neighborhood and adjacent neighbors of the property in question since 1999, we are submitting this letter to the BZA to respectfully express our opposition to the request for a special exception from the zoning regulations in our neighborhood at 3007 Albemarle St NW. This project at 3007 Albemarle is a matter that affects not only adjacent neighbors but the entire Forest Hills Community as a bad precedent for infill development proposals.

The special exception proposal is not different than the previous variance request except to offer the applicants an easier path to create a new infill development, on a pipestem lot which is currently prohibited under our zoning regulations.

Granting the proposed special exception or variance will set an unfortunate precedent that will erode the protections afforded by low density zoning that current residents reasonably rely on, paving the way for similar requests from other large lot owners, and ultimately removing the protections that zoning regulations were intended to provide.

Kind regards

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