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Dear Members of the Board,

Let this letter convey my strong support for the application submitted by Three Tables, The LLC, regarding the property located at 1314 21st Street, NW, Unit 1.

When I was a student at Georgetown, Ching Ching Cha was an important part of my community and experience, and brought a one of a kind experience I could only find by the authentic and sincere service brought by Ching Ching Cha. In its move to Dupont, Ching Ching Cha continues to provide that unique and fine service.

The Board ought to grant this variance to promote local business and cultural diversity. I do not want others in our community to lose out on this expression of Chinese tea culture that I have come to enjoy.

Furthermore, I believe that the granting of area variance relief from C-204.9(b) is warranted given the unique circumstances of the property. The mixed-use nature of the building, coupled with its commercial history dating back to at least 1972, presents practical difficulties in conforming strictly to zoning regulations. Denial of this relief would not only impose practical difficulties on the owner, as the pouring and sale of tea are integral to the existing art gallery use, but also risk the loss of a cherished community asset.

In conclusion, I urge the Board to approve the special exception and variance relief sought by Three Tables, The LLC. Doing so would uphold the vibrancy and character of our neighborhood while ensuring the continued success of Ching Ching Cha. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

From,
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