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Board of Zoning Adjustment  
441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200S  
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**Request for Special Exception for Mr. John Hayman 3220 Brothers Place SE WDC 20032**

Dear Esteemed Members of the Board of Zoning Adjustment,

Mr. Hayman has been fully transparent about his intentions, and I have personally assisted him with this matter since February 2024. He initially sought assistance from his Commissioner at the time, Erica Green, but after multiple unsuccessful attempts to reach her, he contacted me directly by email in February 2024. As documented in the attached materials, Commissioner Green resigned in early March 2024, leaving the newly redistricted SMD 8C04 without representation until January 1, 2025. During this time, I did my best to support Mr. Hayman in navigating this issue.

Additionally, Mr. Hayman and I formally requested that his case be placed on the ANC 8C agenda in August 2024. However, the request was ignored and was not scheduled until 2025, causing further delays. It is also important to note that Commissioner Ridley, who is new to the role and has not previously held elected office, has become involved in a longstanding dispute between the Haymans and the Harpers. I trust that this unrelated conflict will not influence the Board's decision in this matter.

There are inaccuracies in the reported measurements of Mr. Hayman's home, and I must emphasize that accessing his property without permission, especially given the existing dispute is unprofessional. Mr. Hayman's home is approximately 22 feet in width and 20 to 25 feet in height. A key factor not being fully considered is that his back porch has been completely removed, creating an additional 6 feet of available space. However, this removed porch space is still being factored into the overall measurements as if it were still present. If the 6 feet is properly accounted for, it becomes evident that Mr. Hayman has the necessary space for his addition within the zoning requirements.

Furthermore, I urge the Board to consider the fence that was placed in the side yard between Mr. Hayman's home and the Harpers. This fence, which belongs to the Harpers, was moved further onto Mr. Hayman's property line without an agreement, effectively reducing the available side yard space he needs to complete his addition. As documented in the attachments, I have formally reported this as illegal construction.

While I acknowledge that some residents have voiced concerns, I ask the Board to review the addresses of those raising objections, as the majority will not be impacted by Mr. Hayman's addition. Given the removal of the back porch and the

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availability of adequate space, I hope this information clarifies any misunderstandings and aids in making a fair and informed decision.

**Relevant Zoning Considerations:**

**1. Compliance with Subtitle X, Chapter 9 of the DC Zoning Regulations**

- a. Mr. Hayman's request for a Special Exception aligns with **Subtitle X § 901.2**, which states that the BZA may approve a Special Exception if it:
  - a) Will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the zoning regulations and zoning maps;
  - b) Will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property; and
  - c) Meets specific conditions necessary for the exception.

**2. Existing Property Constraints & Measurement Discrepancies**

- a. Mr. Hayman's property measures approximately 22 feet in width and 20 to 25 feet in length.
- b. His previous back porch, which measured six feet, has been removed, creating additional space that should be considered in determining the appropriate yard setbacks.
- c. The fence belonging to Ms. Shirley Harper has been moved onto Mr. Hayman's property without agreement, further reducing his available space. This constitutes an encroachment that I have reported as illegal construction and should not factor into his ability to meet zoning requirements.

**3. Community Considerations**

- a. While some opposition has been noted, the majority of complainants are not directly impacted by this construction.
- b. ANC 8C failed to address Mr. Hayman's case in a timely manner, leaving him without proper representation due to the resignation of the previous commissioner.

It is my sincere hope that the Board considers the unique circumstances surrounding this case and grants Mr. Hayman the Special Exception he rightfully deserves. I appreciate your time and consideration in this matter and look forward to a fair and just resolution. Please see attachments below.

Commissioner Robbie Woodland

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Dear Team,

It has been my pleasure to serve Washington, DC as ANC Commissioner of SMD 8C04. As you all know, I have made a transition to a new career path. It is with a heavy heart that I must step down as ANC. I appreciate all the help, wisdom, and opportunity you all have given me. My number is still the same. Hopefully, we can do great things in the future.

Well wishes,

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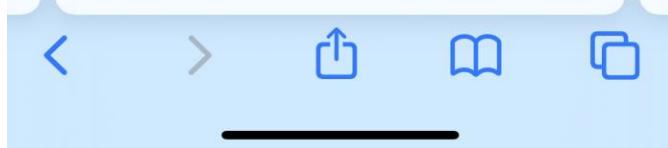
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Greetings Ward 8 ANC Members,

I hope all is well with you. My name is John Hayman III and I am the owner of 3220 Brothers Place SE. This email is to inform you of the renovation of my residence that has been underway since July 2023. On August 1, 2024 DOB issued a stop work order on the construction of my home citing the permit for the home addition was issued in error. My wife, Gloria Hayman, and I are currently in the process of appealing this decision with the Board of Zoning Adjustment and







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## Renovation of 3220 Brothers Place SE



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Please add Mr. Hayman and his wife Gloria to the agenda. These two are long time community residents and stakeholders.

Let's allow them to have at least 5 to 10 minutes on the agenda.

Thanks in advance.

In Solidarity,



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