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Re: Case 21344

To Whom it May Concern,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Old Takoma Business Association, I am writing in support of the application for the property located at 264 Carroll Street, NW.

The OTBA's mission is to bring together businesses, residents, and community organizations to build and sustain a vibrant commercial district while preserving the neighborhood's rich history. We work to support independently owned, local businesses and foster a thriving community in the combined commercial district of the Takoma neighborhood of Washington, DC and Takoma Park, MD, near the Takoma Metro.

We believe the proposal to create eight artist studios at 264 Carroll Street, NW will further these goals by adding creative energy to the neighborhood, supporting local artists, and enhancing the commercial district as a whole. The project is a thoughtful use of space that strengthens both the business community and the broader Takoma community.

We respectfully encourage the Board to approve this application and allow this important project to move forward.

Regards,

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