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**DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
PERMIT OPERATIONS DIVISION**

CONSTRUCTION CODES VARIANCE/MODIFICATION APPLICATION

Date: 06.03.2014

APPLICATION NUMBER: _____

Type of Construction: IIA

Height of Construction: 56'-1"

Construction Valuation: \$ 9.5 MILLION

Use Group: A-3, B SEPARATED MIXED USE

Lot: 820, 840 Square: 42

Gross Floor Area: 4,575 SQ.FT

Sprinklered Yes ☒ No ☐Standpipe Yes ☒ No ☐Fire Alarm Yes ☒ No ☐Plans Attached Yes ☒ No ☐

Owner's Name

ROBERT FISHMAN

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Owner's Address

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Zip Code

Agent's Name

HICKOK COLE ARCHITECTS

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Agent's Address

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Zip Code

Project Address: 2300 H STREET, NW WASHINGTON DC, 20037

Project or Permit Number: _____



In accordance with Section 104.10 of the District of Columbia Construction Code Supplement of 2008, DCMR 12A, as amended, I hereby request a variance/modification to the D.C. Construction Codes, specifically:

Code DCMR 12A

Section Number 3202.4 and 3202.10.3.1

Section Title Modification of Projection Requirements & Bay Windows - Width

The following special circumstances or hardship exists: The project is seeking a wider bay window projection under 3202.4.

Bays are often used to "break" down the scale of long, expansive facades into pedestrian friendly scale. In this case given the small lot size, its prominent corner location, and the large scale of the surrounding buildings, the intent of the wider bay projection is to "hold" the corner and create an appropriate institutional scale in accordance with Hillel's religious, cultural, and social mission serving the Jewish student population of GW.

Proposed alternative means of compliance with the regulation specified above: Our goal is to enhance the institutional character of the building through a simple, wider, unified projection. The massing is both literal and symbolic: the strong base represents Hillel's history and the enduring commitment of the elders, and it contains the most formal spaces of their program. The "perched" box represents their optimism for the new generation, and it houses their day-to-day program. Together the massing and its unified articulation hold their own against the massive scale of the surrounding context, giving Hillel the appropriate institutional presence it deserves on the GW campus.

This proposal meets the intent of the Code specified above because: The proposed projection creates the proper scale for the building and adequately reflects Hillel's institutional role. It is well above ground (18') not over sidewalks, and above a planting zone. Street views are enhanced through the simple articulation of the facade. Bays are not prohibited on either street facing the site. There are no specific rules for bays on institutional buildings.

I, the owner/owner's agent, assume full responsibility for non-compliance with said Code Section(s) and render the D.C. Government harmless for any consequent liabilities.

Waiver request is based on: Application denial Yes ☐ No ☐ Plan review comments: Yes ☐ No ☐

Field Inspection disapproval: Yes ☐ No ☐; Other: Yes ☐ No ☐

Owner's Signature [Signature] Agent's Signature Rob Fishman Contact Person 2/994-5090 Phone _____

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Recommendation:

Reviewed by: RABBITA SINGH Date: 6-13-14 ☒ Approval ☐ Disapproval

COMMENTS: DESIGN PROJECTION WITH EXCEEDS THAT WOULD BE ALLOWED BY CODE; HOWEVER, DESIGN PARTIALLY FITS WITH THE CONTEXT OF CAMPUS, IS AN ARCHITECTURAL ACCENTUATION AND MEETS OVERALL CRITERIA SET FORTH IN 3202.4

☒ Approved
☐ Disapproved

Authorized Code Official [Signature]Date 6-13-14

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