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Anthony Hood, Chair
D.C. Zoning Commission
441 4th Street, N.W.
Second Floor
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Mount Vernon Square Neighborhood Association's Support for The Bozzuto Group's Zoning Commission Case No. 07-29 for a Zoning Map Amendment at 465-471 New York Avenue, NW (Lot 864, Square 514) (the "Property")

Dear Chairperson Hood and Members of the Zoning Commission:

On Tuesday, January 15, 2008, at its duly-noticed and regularly scheduled monthly meeting, the Mount Vernon Square Neighborhood Association ("MVSNA") unanimously voted to support The Bozzuto Group's application for a Zoning Map amendment in Zoning Commission Case No. 07-29. Bozzuto is requesting that a 42.18 foot piece of the Property is re-zoned from DD/R-5-B to DD-C-2-C. The remainder of the Property would remain DD/R-5-B.

Based on a detailed presentation from Bozzuto, we understand the rezoning would allow for the construction of a portion of a 130-foot residential building that would step down to the moved and renovated three story 465 New York Avenue townhouse on the Property's west boundary line.

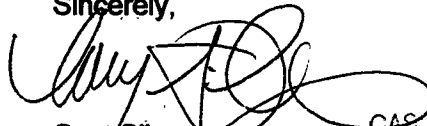
Although the MVSNA had some concerns about the loading facilities and some visitor parking utilizing the alley of the Property and some internal discussion about design, we believe that the Bozzuto proposal satisfies the standards for allowing a Zoning Map amendment and is in accordance with the text and the Land Use Map of the DC Comprehensive Plan. Further, MVSNA believes the proposed rezoning does not create any adverse conditions or negative impacts on the surrounding neighborhood. Therefore, MVSNA supports this application.

The MVSNA wishes to see the proposed project go forward. It represents a sizeable investment in the community and a well-planned project for a difficult site. The project is a sensible approach to restoring a historic structure and modifying a vacant and dangerous eyesore into a productive use.

The applicant has been in touch with MVSNA, ANC 2C and ANC 6C and has been proactive in communicating its proposed plans to the community.

It is our understanding that the Commission will hold a hearing on the application on February 28, 2008. We hope that you take our support of the application into account and approve the proposed application. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 247-5113.

Sincerely,


Cary Silverman
President

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