

**Statement of Bart Leonard, 2101 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
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Mandatory Notice for Construction Affecting Historic Property

Each and every person (defined to include any natural person(s) and any form of business entity) proposing construction work (other than simple repairs)("Proponent") on any property or structure located in any Washington, D.C. historic district or on any property or structure listed on the District of Columbia and/or National Register of Historic Places ("Historic Property") must give timely actual notice to each owner of each and every property located within 1,000 feet of the front, side or rear walls of such Historic Property ("Owner"). In order to be timely, such actual notice by each Proponent to each Owner must be given no fewer than 90 days prior to the Proponent making any submission to, or initial appearance before, the Advisory Neighborhood Commission; and no fewer than 90 days before submitting any application or other document seeking approval of the construction by the Historic Preservation Review Board. Timely actual notice shall comprise each of the following:

- (1) written notice of the proposed construction to each Owner by certified mail, return receipt requested;
- (2) written notice of the proposed construction posted prominently on each entrance to the Historic Property in question;
- (3) written notice of the proposed construction by certified mail, return receipt requested, to each citizen's association representing each neighborhood located within the Historic District where such Historic Property is located;
- (4) online posting in electronic format of the written notice of the proposed construction, including copies of all architectural concepts and/or plans depicting such proposed construction, on the website of each agency to consider any aspect of the proposed construction;
- (5) written confirmation by each Owner of the receipt of the required notice must be secured by the Advisory Neighborhood Commission, Historic Preservation Review Board and Zoning Commission before any proceedings before each such agency may commence.

Respectfully submitted,



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