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Chairman Anthony Hood

District of Columbia Zoning Commission

441 4th St , NW Suite 2105

Washington DC 20001

Re ZC Case No 14-11

Dear Chairman Hood and Members of the Commission

I am very much in favor of limiting the conversion of single family homes into multi-unit condos, which is already changing our residential section of the city

However I am opposed to any changes that go further than the current amendment. As a district resident and homeowner with several children, I can see first-hand the need for homeowners to be able to add space to small houses. Many DC neighborhoods, like ours, will benefit greatly from having families to stay in the city and not move to the suburbs for more space as their children grow up. We hope to stay in the city to raise our kids and appreciate the investment the DC government (and tax payers) are making in the schools to make that a possibility and we also hope that zoning rules will also be established to recognize the space needs of today's families.

To summarize, please

- limit the conversion of single family homes to multi-family condos
- **Do not change the right to add space on in the rear or on top of existing homes as currently exists**

To me, the height reduction from 40 to 35 ft does not seem necessary. A limit of three above ground floors and a basement seems like it would be sufficient, but since I don't understand as well what 40-to-35 gets I'll defer to the commissions judgment.

I write in support of ZC Case No 14-11. Please adopt this amendment.

SIGNED

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