

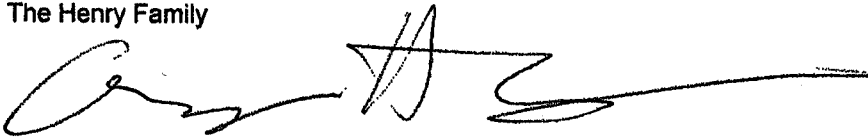
Dear Zoning Commission,

I am a home owner in the proposed neighborhood revitalization project #14-18. I live at 2255 16th st NE DC. I have been living and working in the district since 2007 and have gone to great lengths to get to know my neighbors and be involved in the community.

Most of the neighbors are respectful and friendly but unfortunately we have been tortured by the drug and violent laden eye sore that is Brookland Manor Apartments. I can't walk through that part of the neighborhood without feeling unsafe as men follow me and make crude comments, I've personally seen everything from loitering, graffiti spraying, and loud late night parties to domestic violence, child abuse, street brawls, animal abuse, illegal gambling, and even illicit drug use, all of which neighbors have reported to the authorities but little comes of it. Often times I can't sleep because if it isn't the noise from those activities it's gun shots or police activity.

I want to see my city prosper and grow in a positive way and this development is the first step. It will provide the much needed green and pedestrian friendly space the area needs and it will provide new and improved housing and most importantly bring new businesses to the area in the retail spaces. I have spoken to my neighbors and they are all ready for a change, we hope you approve this project so we can move forward like the rest of the city is. We deserve this development and we need this development. To say no to it would cause an uproar in the community and show that you continue to prioritize NW for development projects but continue to marginalize our community. On behalf of the neighbors on 16th st and Adams street please pass case 14-18!

Sincerely,
The Henry Family



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