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Subject: Case Number 19521A; David Hunter Smith, Applicant; 3520 S Street, NW; Relief Sought: Modification of Significance/Variance

Letter in opposition to granting Modification of Significance to include Variance

My wife and I have lived in Burleith, at the address below, for over 47 years, and our two children grew up here. We and our family have thoroughly enjoyed being a part of this community, and we'd like to remain here for years to come.

I am in agreement with and support the "opposition letter" submitted in this matter by Gail Juppenplatz on July 5, 2018. For the reasons stated in her submission, I oppose the request for a modification of significance to the relief approved by BZA Order 19521, to include a variance from accessory building requirements in the Zoning Regulations.

Several people have written to support this application on grounds that more rental units are needed in Burleith, and that living units such as the one proposed here would improve the safety and maintenance of alleys. I do not oppose having renters in Burleith; they have for many years been a significant part of the community. But significant increases in the population density of our community, as would result from more units like the one proposed here, would detract from our quality of life. Furthermore, Burleith's alleys are not unsafe, and the claim that new alley apartment units would make them safer and improve how they are kept up is at best speculative.

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