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Subject: Request for Postponement of BZA Number 19999

Dear Chairperson Hill:

In the matter before the Board on Zoning Adjustment: **BZA Application Number 19999: *Application of Sanjay Bajaj, pursuant to 11 DCMR Subtitle X, Chapter 10, for an area variance from the street frontage requirements of Subtitle C § 303.5, to subdivide two existing tax lots in the RA-2 and MU-4 Zones at premises 1920 17th Street S.E. (Square 5612, Lots 827 and 833), Advisory Neighborhood Commission 8A*** respectfully request the hearing be postponed and removed from the BZA hearing calendar, currently scheduled for **May 8, 2019**.

The reason for the request is to allow the Commission and **Commissioner Barbara Clark (SMD-8A02)** additional time to meet with the Applicant and resolve concerns raised by residents of the community, chiefly the impact of increased density at the property, the ability of the surrounding neighborhood to adequately absorb new demands for on-street parking spaces, and other community-related questions.

To date, we have yet to received any outreach from the Applicant on this case. We are also not aware of any such outreach to any of the neighbors impacted by the proposed variance. Under such circumstances, there is absolutely no scenario where our Commission can support this case at this time.

The Commission request the Applicant provide the ANC and community with details of their proposed plans, meet with nearby residents to discuss and answer questions concerning the development, and discuss a community benefits agreement with the aforementioned parties.

Therefore, rather than voting against the Applicant all together, we are requesting a postponement of the variance hearings to allow the Applicant, ANC and residents to begin discussions on this project and answer any ongoing questions, especially from immediate neighbors.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this letter.

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