

April 15, 2021

via Email or IZIS

Board of Zoning Adjustment  
441 4th Street, NW  
Suite 210S  
Washington, DC 20001

**Re: Letter in Support of BZA Case No. 20445 – 106 13<sup>th</sup> Street, SE**

Dear Members of the Board,

My name is Rama S. Moorthy and I share the alley way and live around the corner from 106 13th Street, SE where Mr. Gioldasis' new restaurant, Pacci's, is proposed. I am writing to give my support for the above-referenced BZA application. As a member of the community, I have watched previous restaurants occupy that building but fail due the financial difficulties resulting from operating on only one floor, limiting table space. This has caused the building to sit vacant and unused for almost 3 years which is not great for our community nor its value. I am eager to see a restaurant succeed here and think it would be a great addition to the community, especially a family run and small business operation.

I understand Mr. Gioldasis needs to obtain this use variance for the basement and second floor in order to expand his table/service capacity to ensure a vibrant and profitable business.

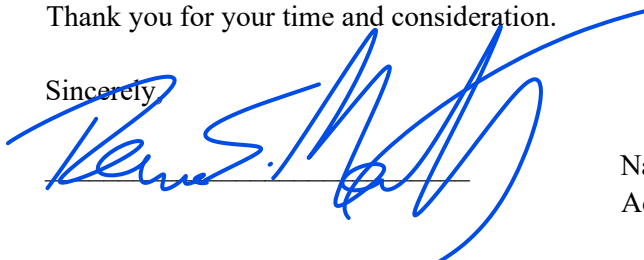
I also understand a larger capacity restaurant *may* result in more foot/car traffic and parking demands. As long as the alley way entrance is kept clear by delivery vehicles and Uber/Lyft ride shares, there should be no issue. Keeping the alley way entrance clear, a priority, can be easily addressed with "No Blocking/Parking – Tow Away Zone" signage at the entrance of the alley. This signage will also help the *pre-existing* annoyance of illegal parking at entrance *not at all* contributed today by the restaurant nor its operation. Additionally, the current two parking spaces directly in front of the restaurants should be changed to "loading zone only" spaces, ensuring neighbors are not inconvenienced by the aforementioned delivery vehicles and rideshare drop offs. Any objections to expansion by neighbors can easily be taken care of by these proposed adjustments – simple signage additions/changes.

I see zero negative impact to our neighborhood nor the alley if the above changes are made, other than having a wonderful neighborhood eatery around the corner. I am whole-heartedly in support of the variance expanding the capacity of Pacci, finally resulting in, for the first time, a profitable neighborhood family run restaurant.

Pacci's will undoubtedly be a positive addition to our community. I am in full support and respectfully request that the BZA approve the requested relief.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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