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Board of Zoning Adjustment  
1100 4<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
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RE: ANC Approval BZA Case: BZATmp826

To whom it may concern,

I purchased my home in the Glenncrest community in 2013 and have been a resident since. There were several things that attracted me the neighborhood initially; how close it was to my childhood home (on C Street, SE), there was off street parking and the home came with a patio door already built in to accommodate the addition of a deck.

Well, I finally saved enough money to get a deck built, but now am told I need a variance because my property won't accommodate what city standards require. It seems unfair to allow a home to be constructed with a deck option, if only to deny the deck to be built. There are other homes in the Glenncrest community that have decks, and I am hoping to be granted the same variance as they have. Otherwise, I will have absolutely no use for my patio door.

Currently, I have bars installed on the interior of my home as a safety precaution. The patio doors overlook the driveway and garage area. My hope is to build this patio to create a safe way to open my patio without worrying about someone (especially my 5-year-old) falling through the screen; not to mention the potential fire hazard with bars at the patio door.

The deck will be within the property boundary lines and will not have any adverse effect on any close by neighbors.

I would sincerely appreciate a granting of this variance.

Regards,

Brittney Etheridge  
(Lifetime DC Resident)