



February 1, 2014

Board of Zoning Adjustment for the District of Columbia
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Washington, DC 20001
via electronic mail: bzasubmissions@dc.gov

Re: BZA No. 18702, View 14 Investments LLC

Dear Board Members

The Meridian Hill Neighborhood Association (MHNA) neither supports nor opposes zoning relief for the proposed dog day care business. The proposed dog day care business would be located within MHNA's boundaries. MHNA appreciates the efforts of the business's representatives to attend two MHNA meetings on Dec. 17, 2013 and Jan. 21, 2014 (during a snowstorm). I note that due to short notice before the December meeting there was no time to contact affected neighbors, so the presentation at that meeting was informational and not a gauge of support or opposition.

We seek to support businesses that will serve residents of the Meridian Hill community, in particular businesses such as this that will improve the neighborhood's diversity of economic activity. In addition, MHNA is convinced that the interests of residents of the building where this business proposes to locate have been satisfied. Community members also raised two concerns at the meetings. Specifically, our members sought a better understanding of how the business owners will manage daytime dog walking and mitigate any potential impacts of that activity in the surrounding residential neighborhood where dog walking presumably would occur, such as from animal waste and urine; and how they will address any parking and traffic impacts during drop off and pick up hours. Although applicant's representatives have indicated a willingness to address these issues, because we lack a clear understanding of business operations in these regards, the MHNA remains neutral in this case.

Sincerely,

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