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Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
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Mr. Bill Crews
Zoning Administrator
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Re: 631 Tenth Street, NE

Mr. Crews:

On December 14, 2006, at our monthly public meeting, and with a quorum present, we voted to request the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) investigate the property at 631 Tenth Street, NE to answer the following questions:

- 1) Does the owner have a proper business license?
- 2) Are the occupants being provided substance abuse services under the Section 330.5(d) of the zoning code?
- 3) Do the operations meet the definition of a community based residential facility?
- 4) What is the average length of time does a resident stay at the facility?

Accordingly, if DCRA determines the property is operating as a boarding house, we request that DCRA rule on whether the facility can be occupied as a matter of right with regard to Section 330.6 of the zoning code, which states a rooming house is only permitted as a matter of right in a R-4 zone when: "Accommodations are not provided to transient guest who stay ninety (90) days or less at the premises."

On the other hand, if DCRA determines the property is operating as a community based residential facility, we request that DCRA rule on whether the facility can be occupied as a matter of right with regard to Section 335.2 of the zoning code states that: "There shall be no other property containing a community-based residential facility for seven (7) or more persons in the same square." This request is based on the fact that the House of Ruth, another community based residential facility, already operates on the same square.

We look forward to your prompt response.

Joseph Fengler, Chair
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