

District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Box 75115 Washington, DC 20013



March14, 2014

Ms. Gretchen Pfaehler, Chair Historic Preservation Review Board Office of Planning 1100 Fourth Street, SW, Suite E650 Washington, DC 20024

Re: HPA #13-028 (901 D Street, NE)

Dear Ms. Pfaehler,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting¹ on March 13, 2014, our Commission voted 6-0-0 (with 5 Commissioners required for a quorum) to notify you of our concerns regarding the construction of a roof deck structure at 901 D St NE that is visible from the street. In November 2012 ANC 6A expressed support for the redevelopment plans of the property at 901 D St NE, Edmonds School site. That support was based on plans presented to ANC 6A on August 15, 2012 that showed no roof deck structure, certainly nothing that would be visible from the street. BZA Order No. 18463 specified that construction should follow the plans submitted to the BZA and held within the Order file in the Office of Zoning

The guidelines of the Capitol Hill Historic require that decks, their fences and furniture be built out of sight of someone standing at street level. Therefore, we believe the current placement of the roof deck structure is inappropriate in the Historic District, in addition to being unauthorized construction.

We ask that your office take immediate steps to investigate whether the roof structure comports with the plans presented and approved by the Historic Preservation Review Board. Please report the findings of your investigation to ANC 6A. I can be contacted at 6A04@anc.dc.gov.

On Behalf of the Commission,

Nicholas Alberti.

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

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