

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



May 18, 2005

Dr. Patrick J. Canavan, Director Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs 941 North Capitol Street, NE, Room 2200 Washington, DC 20002

Re: Recommendation for Ward Liaisons

Dear Dr. Canavan,

On May 12, 2005, ANC 6A voted unanimously to send this letter recommending that DCRA establish Ward liaisons.

ANC 6A recommends that DCRA create Ward liaisons similar to those employed by the District Department of Transportation and the Office of Planning. These Ward liaisons would answer questions and respond to inquiries on building permits, certificates of occupancy, abatement of nuisance property, and other issues under the jurisdiction of DCRA.

While we appreciate the efforts of DCRA staff such as Mr. Joseph McCarley, we feel that the DCRA's scope of responsibility and the number of issues that regularly emerge in our ANC and Ward would justify the creation of multiple staff positions with Ward-specific responsibilities and accountability.

If you have any questions or need further information about this recommendation, please contact Commissioner Cody Rice, Chair of ANC 6A's Economic Development and Zoning Committee at 544-3734.

Respectfully yours,

Joseph Fengler

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

cc: Councilmember Jim Graham Councilmember Sharon Ambrose