



District of Columbia Government
Advisory Neighborhood Commission
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December 10, 2009

Mr. Tersh Boasberg, Chair
District of Columbia Historic Preservation Review Board
801 North Capitol Street, NE, 3rd Floor
Washington, DC 20002

RE: HPA #09-XXX (1020 Massachusetts Ave NE)

Dear Mr. Boasberg,

At a regularly scheduled and properly noticed meeting on December 10, 2009, our Commission voted (with 4 Commissioners required for a quorum) to oppose the above referenced application for an enclosed balcony.

While the Commission is sympathetic to Mr. Safayan's difficulties with reoccurring leaks that originate on the third balcony, our Commission does not believe the constructed enclosure is consistent with the standards for a front façade in the Capitol Hill Historic District. Unfortunately, the current enclosure was constructed without building permits or the review of the Historic Preservation Office.

Our Commission hopes that Mr. Safayan can work with the Historic Preservation to re-create an open balcony that meets Historic District standards and also possesses proper drainage.

Please be advised that Terres (Drew) Ronneberg, Barbara Halleck and Dan Golden are authorized to act on behalf of ANC 6A for the purposed of this case. Dr. Ronneberg can be reached at ronneberg6a02@gmail.com or (202) 431-4305.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler
Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A