



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

January 18, 2017

Marnique Heath, Chair
Historic Preservation Review Board
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RE: 1532 U Street NW (HPRB #16-700)

Dear Chairwoman Heath:

At its regular meeting on January 11, 2017, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (“ANC 2B” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With 8 of 8 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (8-0-0):

WHEREAS, the project as proposed is within the Strivers’ Section Historic District and Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B,

WHEREAS, the built environment and building usage of the 1500 block of U Street NW are significantly altered from the time of historic significance,

WHEREAS, while ANC 2B would ordinarily not support a project which includes an entrance through a bay window on other blocks of the historic district, ANC 2B believes that the portion of the project fronting U Street NW as proposed is contextual to how the historic fabric of this block has changed over time and is supportable,

WHEREAS, the proposed stairs to the bay window do not extend farther into public space than currently existing stairs on the block, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B requests that the property owner take measures to mitigate any negative impacts to alley access during the construction phase of the project and maintain communication with surrounding residents regarding impacts and mitigation measures.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the project as proposed with the following modifications:

1. The utility meters are not visible from public space.

2. The applicant takes all reasonable measures to mitigate noise in the alley from the exterior condenser.

Commissioners Scott Davies (2B09@anc.dc.gov) and Nicole Mann (nicole.mann@dupontcircleanc.net) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicole Mann", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nicole Mann
Chair