



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

November 15, 2017

Matthew Marcou
Chair, Public Space Committee
District Department of Transportation
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Washington, DC 20004
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RE: Public Space Application by the Renwick Gallery for the Installation of a New Exterior Sign at 1661 Pennsylvania Avenue NW (DDOT #232710)

Dear Chair Marcou:

At its regular meeting on November 8, 2017, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (“ANC 2B” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With 6 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (6-0-0):

WHEREAS, the Smithsonian American Art Museum Renwick Gallery has submitted a public space application which is proposing the replacement and installation of two exterior gallery signs,

WHEREAS, the Renwick Gallery is a branch of the Smithsonian American Art Museum, located at 1661 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, housed in a National Historic Landmark building and in a historic district, and focused on American craft and decorative arts from the 19th to the 21st century,

WHEREAS, the proposed signs maintain the same distinctive font and design as the current signs, but eliminate internal illumination and reduce the size of the letters significantly to conform with regulatory requirements and input received,

WHEREAS, the Renwick Gallery also plans to remove several additional existing signs in order to present a less cluttered appearance in the front yard area,

WHEREAS, the National Park Service, the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts, the National Capital Planning Commission, and the DC State Historic Preservation Office have all approved the present sign design, and

WHEREAS, ANC 2B recognizes that public space use is a privilege, not a right.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the Renwick Gallery's public space application.

Commissioners Randy Downs (randy.downs@dupontcircleanc.net) and Nicole McEntee (nicole.mcentee@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", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nicole McEntee
Chair