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September 3, 2013

Mr. Leo Dwyer
ANC Commissioner - 2B07 (Dupont Circle)
#9 Dupont Circle, NW
Washington, DC 20036

Re: 1785 Massachusetts Avenue – Rehabilitation Plans

Dear Mr. Dwyer:

I am writing regarding the rehabilitation of 1785 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, now owned by the American Enterprise Institute (AEI). The National Trust understands that, over the coming weeks, the ANC will be considering AEI's upcoming zoning request. We have reviewed two recent sets of AEI's plans (dated July 1, 2013 and July 29, 2013) and find both sets to be consistent with *The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*. The National Trust believe that AEI's plans for 1785 Massachusetts Avenue respect the historic character and significant features of the property, and to that end, the National Trust continues to support AEI's proposed project.

Please feel free to be in touch with me, or with Shantia Anderheggen, the Director of the National Trust's Easement Program, if you have any questions about this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David J. Brown".

David J. Brown
Executive Vice President & Chief Preservation Officer