



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

November 17, 2014

Gretchen Pfaehler, Chair
Historic Preservation Review Board
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RE: HPRB Application for renovation and rear addition at 1508 Caroline Street (HPA 15-058) (2B09)

Dear Chairwoman Pfaehler,

At its regular meeting on November 12, 2014, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission (“ANC 2B” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With 7 of 8 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of 7-0.

Whereas Caroline Street NW is a one block historical treasure, whose unique qualities should be celebrated and protected;

Whereas Caroline Street NW is generally composed of matching paired row homes on both sides of the street, built together in the 1880’s;

Whereas the owners of 1508 Caroline Street NW have applied to the Historic Preservation Review Board to renovate the interior, add a third story to the front of the home, add a two story addition to the rear of the home, renovate and improve the front of the property to add an entrance to a basement dwelling and to generally match the look and design of its paired home at 1506 Caroline;

Whereas 1506 Caroline St NW added a third story addition in the late 1800’s;

Whereas Caroline Street NW is part of the U Street Historic District;

Whereas the neighbors of Caroline Street NW have met to discuss the proposed project and have agreed with the owner to two specific changes to the proposal; and

Whereas there is concern from Caroline Street residents that support for this project could lead to additional visible third story additions to the street, which is generally not supported by neighbors.

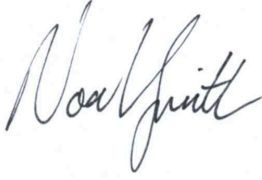
Therefore be it RESOLVED that ANC2B supports the project with the following three conditions:

- 1) That the proposed west side bump out addition not be greater than the current height at all points;
- 2) That there not be a west side terrace on any level (visible from the street or otherwise); and
- 3) That support of this project NOT be considered precedent setting for this block or in anyway indicate support for a future proposal to add a third story front addition to a property on Caroline Street NW.

Commissioners Noah Smith (noah.smith@dupontcircleanc.net) and Mike Feldstein (mike.feldstein@dupontcircleanc.net) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Noah Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "N" and "S".

Noah Smith
Chairman

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