

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

February 23, 2016

Gretchen Pfaehler, Chair Historic Preservation Review Board Office of Planning 1100 4th Street, SW, Suite E650 Washington, DC 20024 historic.preservation@dc.gov

RE: 1508-1512 21st Street NW (HPRB #16-148)

Dear Chairwoman Pfaehler:

At its regular meeting on February 10, 2016, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 8 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (7-1-0):

Whereas, the project at 1508-1512 21st Street NW involves an addition to and combination of three townhouses within the confines of ANC 2B,

Whereas, there is significant concern from neighbors that the fifth story addition to 1512 21st Street NW will be visible from the corner of Massachusetts Avenue and 21st Street,

Whereas, ANC 2B is opposed to the visibility of any fifth floor on this project from any view on Massachusetts Avenue,

Whereas, the visibility of the project will be examined on a flag test by Historic Preservation Office staff, and

Whereas, ANC 2B is concerned with the scale of a five story townhouse which presents itself as a four story townhouse within the Dupont Circle Historic Overlay.

Therefore, be it resolved that ANC 2B opposes the project as presented and recommends that the fifth story of the addition be removed.

Commissioners Daniel Warwick (<u>daniel.warwick@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) and Nicole Mann (<u>nicole.mann@dupontcircleanc.net</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Nicole Mann

Chair

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