

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

May 18, 2017

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

RE: 2121 Newport Place NW (HPRB #17-410)

Dear Chairwoman Heath:

At its regular meeting on May 10, 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 project at 2121 Newport Place NW is within the confines of the Dupont Circle Historic District and Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B appreciates the applicant's revisions to the HPRB submission set, which include:

- moving the electric meters away from the street facade so that they are hidden from the street
- adopting wood materials for the front facade windows
- changing the exterior front stairway to an ornate cast iron which mimics the historic stairs

WHEREAS, while ANC 2B would normally not support new construction of stairs in public space to the cellar, these stairs are quite common within the context of Newport Place NW, and

WHEREAS, while ANC 2B would normally not support a front roof deck, the Commission considers the proposed roof deck to be acceptable due to its setback so that it will not be visible from the street, and its small size of approximately 50 square feet.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports the project as proposed.

Commissioners Mike Silverstein (<u>mike.silverstein@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