

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

March 21, 2019

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

RE: 1746 Q Street NW (HPRB #19-172)

Dear Chairwoman Heath:

At its regular meeting on March 13, 2019, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 9 of 9 Commissioners in attendance, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission approved the following resolution by a vote of (9-0-0):

WHEREAS, the project is within Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B and is located in the Dupont Circle Historic District,

WHEREAS, the applicant proposes a 12-foot two story rear addition,

WHEREAS, the addition will not be visible from O Street NW,

WHEREAS, the site is one of twenty-five contiguous rowhouses on the south side of the 1700 block of Q Street NW which feature sentinel chimneys and angled bays,

WHEREAS, this construction typology is unusual in the Dupont Circle Historic District and the rear facade has been largely preserved on this block with the exception of three two-story additions and five one-story additions,

WHEREAS, the parapet on the rear addition above the second floor will interrupt the rhythm and symmetry of the preserved rear facades, and

WHEREAS, adjacent neighbors have expressed concern that the proposed addition builds further back than their home and are concerned that it will block their light and air.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges the Historic Preservation Review Board to require the applicant to remove any addition which obscures the chimneys and bays above the first floor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B urges the Historic Preservation Review Board to consider the appropriateness and magnitude of a rear addition based on the unique characteristics of this alley.

Commissioners Kari Cunningham (<u>2B07@anc.dc.gov</u>) and Daniel Warwick (<u>2B02@anc.dc.gov</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Dame Warnick

Sincerely,

Daniel Warwick

Chair