

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B

July 24, 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: 1145 17th Street NW (HPRB #19-460)

Dear Chair Heath:

At its special meeting on July 23, 2019, 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 proposed project falls within ANC 2B and the Sixteenth Street Historic District,

WHEREAS, the project proposes a renovation of the National Geographic campus that currently consists of three buildings fronting both 17th Street and 16th Street NW,

WHEREAS, the project proposes a two-story with roof terrace glass building that, due to elevations, rises to an equivalent of a five-story addition, with an internal media wall that will connect two existing National Geographic buildings along with a renovation of the U-shaped driveway and fountain that would become a plaza and visitor entrance, and

WHEREAS, the project also proposes a slight renovation on the exterior façade of the building on 16th Street NW to accommodate an interior elevator that will serve as a handicapped entrance.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B believes that the project is compatible with the Sixteenth Street Historic District and supports the project as proposed.

Commissioners Randy Downs (<u>2B05@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.

Sincerely,

Daniel Warwick

Dame Warnick

Chair