

## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## **Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B**

April 20, 2022

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

RE: 1818 19th Street NW (HPRB #22-244)

Dear Chair Heath,

At its regular meeting on April 13, 2022, the Dupont Circle Advisory Neighborhood Commission ("ANC 2B" or "Commission") considered the above-referenced matter. With 6 of 7 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, Circle LLC has submitted Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) application #22-244 for the renovation of the property at 1818 19th Street NW, zoned RA-08 and located within ANC 2B01, for the purpose of converting a single-family home into a multi-family residential building,

WHEREAS, 1818 19th Street NW is a contributing building in the Dupont Circle Historic District,

WHEREAS, ANC 2B's Land Use Committee (LUC) reviewed the submitted concept plans at its duly-noticed monthly meeting conducted both in-person and via Zoom on April 6, 2022,

WHEREAS, the concept plans include restoring the front facade, including windows and terracotta roof tiles; replacing an existing one-car garage structure with three at-grade surface parking spaces; reshaping the rear extension to be smaller and extending it to the second floor; and adding a fourth floor addition,

WHEREAS, a flag test was conducted and confirmed that a fourth floor addition, including the mechanical area atop the roof of the fourth floor, would not be visible from 19th Street NW, but does become visible along Swann Street NW at an approximate distance of 120 feet,

WHEREAS, neighboring properties have similar massing and the additions have been designed to match them, and

WHEREAS, by law, the HPRB gives "great weight" to recommendations in duly adopted ANC resolutions and carefully considers the views of community organizations and citizens per DC Code 1-309-10 (d)(3)(a).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2B supports HPRB application #22-244 pursuant to the following:

• Review visual impacts of any upper additions (including rooftop mechanicals and required life safety fencing) from locations along Swann Street NW due to the fact that the property serves as the western terminus of Swann Street NW and as such alterations have the potential for visibility from distances farther away.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that ANC 2B requests that the ANC's Chair, the Land Use Committee's Chair, and the ANC's Executive Director be sent copies of the final concept design and actions as approved by the HPRB and/or HPRB staff.

Commissioners Meg Roggensack (<u>2B01@anc.dc.gov</u>) and Matthew Holden (<u>2B08@anc.dc.gov</u>) are the Commission's representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

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Sincerely,

Matthew Holden

Chair