



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

June 10, 2009

The Honorable Linda Argo, Director
Department of Consumer & Regulatory Affairs
941 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Re: 1841 16th Street, NW

Dear Director Argo:

At its regularly scheduled June 10, 2009 meeting Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2B considered the above matter, and, with a quorum of 7 of 9 commissioners in attendance, passed the following resolution by a vote of 7 to 0.

Whereas, the condition of the vacant residence at 1841 16th Street NW is a clear case of demolition by neglect on the part of the owner, and

Whereas, the structure has sat vacant for a year after some of its inside walls began to collapse in June 2008, and despite perimeter fencing is open to the elements and homeless alike, and

Whereas, a recent inspection has revealed the property is not in imminent danger of collapse, but it in immediate need of stabilization, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that Dupont Circle ANC 2B supports the position of the Dupont Circle Conservancy in its opposition to demolition of the structure, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, rather than demolition, the Commission urges your department to stabilize and shore the structure and to place a lien upon the property for that work so that it may be rehabilitated in the future and the integrity of the 16th Street Historic District is retained.

Commissioner Ramon Estrada will represent the Commission in this matter, and can be reached at (202)412-9434 or at Ramon.Estrada@dupontcircleanc.net

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

Mike Silverstein
Chairman