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Director Terry Bellamy
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Subject: No Loading Singage – Alley Behind 3928 14th Street, NW

Dear Mr. Bellamy,

Please use this letter as formal communication of the ANC 4C's opinion that should be given "great weight" according to District of Columbia statute in the matter of a "No Loading" sign being posted in the rear alley of Mozaran Grocery located at 3928 14th Street, NW.

On June 25, 2013, an e-mail was sent to your attention requesting the process be detailed for having a "No Loading" sign be placed at the above address by Commissioner Rickey Williams, Jr. (4C04).

On Wed., July 10, 2013, ANC 4C voted 9-0 to (one seat vacant) to request DDOT install such signage in the rear of the grocery store. The reasons for this vote of the 4C Advisory Neighborhood Commission is due to the damage the trucks are doing to a resident's home abutting the alley and the potential damage to the newly paved alley.

The first and main reason ANC 4C voted to request such signage is due to the damage done to a resident's home by the large delivery trucks for Mozaran Grocery. Across the alley from the grocery store stands an occupied single family home (SFH). In the mornings, when the large trucks park in the alley to unload products, they usually park too close to the house. When the doors are opened on the right hand side of the truck, they come in contact with the side wall of the house. This has caused small indentations to appear in the wall of the SFH. Eventually, if this damage continues in this area of the wall, a portion of the concrete will weaken and fall away from the structure. This would cause the owner to expend considerable resources to repair.

The second reason ANC4C requests such signage be posted is due to the newly paved alley that has been laid down by DDOT. As you are already aware, DDOT has installed

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a new concrete alley that lets out onto the 1400 Block of Shephard Street, NW. The repairs made were long overdue and has spruced up the overall appearance. Bringing heavy trucks onto this section of the alley will create and place undo stress on the newly paved area. This may contribute to a decrease in the paved area's expected life span. In turn this will cause DDOT to need to make repairs more often that necessary if heavy trucks are not kept out of this area.

It is for the above reasons ANC 4C unianomously voted to request DDOT place a "No Loading" sign in the rear alley of Mozaran Grocery Store.



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