

**Testimony of the Capitol Hill Restoration Society before the DC Historic Preservation
Review Board
HPA 15-095, 510 Independence Avenue, SE**

My name is Beth Purcell and I am testifying on behalf of the Capitol Hill Restoration Society's Historic Preservation Committee. Thank you for letting us share our views on this project. The Historic Preservation Committee of the Capitol Hill Restoration Society met with the applicant and reviewed the plans for this project dated January 12, 2015. We offer the following comments:

This project is for a rear addition, closing off an existing dogleg. There is no alley at the rear of the house.

The applicants have placed a mockup, and have demonstrated that the addition will not be visible from Independence Avenue. The revised plans change the addition's roofline to further reduce visibility. The revised plans show an attractive rear elevation with brick and one-over-one wood windows.

When we met with the applicants and their team on January 5, 2015, a neighbor also attended, who supports the project, and indicated that other neighbors support the project.

We believe that project is compatible with the Capitol Hill Historic District, and agree with the recommendation in the staff report.

Thank you for considering our views.