

**Testimony of the Capitol Hill Restoration Society
before the DC Historic Preservation Review Board on September 30, 2021
810 C Street, NE HPA 21-416**

My name is Beth Purcell and I am testifying on behalf of the Capitol Hill Restoration Society's Historic Preservation Committee. We reviewed the revised plans for the project received July 13, 2021.

This two-unit building was built in 1950 by Irvin Robinson. It is a noncontributing building.

The applicant plans to completely demolish the existing two-unit building, except for party wall, and replace it with a single-family brick house that will extend an additional 10 feet in the rear. The new house would be two stories with basement, a square bay, brick veneer on the front elevation, with corbelled cornices, one over one windows, metal stairs, precast concrete lintels, sills/ belt courses, and a double-leaf front door. The windows in the front elevation will be one-over-one wood Marvin windows. The design and materials for the rear elevation are appropriate. The utility meters would be relocated.

We support the staff's suggestions that the basement be lowered 24 inches and that the stair be centered on the front door.

We believe that the project is compatible with the Capitol Hill Historic District.

Thank you for considering our comments.