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ANC 3C Resolution No. 2017-009 ANC 3C Resolution Regarding HPRB Application (HPA 17-298) for a New Fence at 3501 Newark Street, NW, the Rosedale Farmhouse.

Whereas, the Rosedale Farmhouse is a DC historic landmark and the adjacent grounds are also historically protected as one of the most significant historic resources in the District of Columbia; and

Whereas, the farmhouse is privately owned and maintained as a family residence and the lawn in front of the house is managed by the Rosedale Conservancy; and

Whereas, the owner of the farmhouse has applied for a 42" high, open picket fence to span the entire frontage of the farmhouse lot so as to enclose the front yard and access to the house; and

Whereas, the owner of the farmhouse has for several years worked with the conservancy to deter trespassing on his property by dogs and persons in a way that would not detract from the open connection of the farmhouse to the conservancy lawn, including the placement of multiple signs advising where the conservancy property ends and private residential property begins; and

Whereas, the owner of the farmhouse has gathered, through the use of cameras, daily information about significant levels of trespassing on his property, including people sitting on his porch and looking into the windows of the farmhouse; and

Whereas, the owner of the farmhouse has expressed concern for the safety of his family and a willingness to continue to work with the conservancy on a fence that would preserve the historic resources while improving his family's privacy and safety:

Therefore, Be It Resolved that ANC 3C finds that a barrier is necessary to prevent trespassing by dogs and persons on the farmhouse property and supports the installation of a fence with the following condition:

The height and style of the fence that would present the least intrusion on the Rosedale Conservancy lawn may not be a painted picket style fence even though such a fence was used previously on the sides of the property and thus, ANC 3C urges discussion among HPO staff, the owner of the farmhouse, and the conservancy on a fence that best meets the dual goals of privacy and preservation of the open connection between the farmhouse and the lawn;

Be It Resolved that the Chair, the Commissioner for 3C09, or their designee(s) are authorized to represent the commission on this matter.

Attested by

Nancy J. MacWood

Chair, on April 17, 2017

This resolution was approved by a voice vote, on April 17, 2017 at a scheduled and noticed public meeting of ANC 3C at which a quorum (a minimum of 5 of 9 commissioners) was present.