

FROM: Rishi Narayan, Underground Printing
DATE: 10/12/25
ATTN: Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals
RE: ZBA25-02: 315 West Huron Street

Dear Zoning Board of Appeals,

I'm Rishi Narayan, and I am a co-owner of the building at 102 S. First Street. I am also a former owner of the current businesses located there. I've been part of the Ann Arbor community for over two decades—starting multiple businesses and serving on various community and nonprofit boards, including the Downtown Development Authority for nine years. It goes without saying that I care deeply about this community and its thoughtful growth.

I am writing in support of the proposed height variance request. I believe that the requested variance is modest and consistent with nearby development. The site sits among other tall structures, and this project represents a natural continuation of Ann Arbor's evolving urban fabric rather than a disruption to it. The proposal supports the city's broader planning framework—encouraging density where appropriate, improving sustainability and walkability, and expanding access to housing.

I also recognize the challenge of balancing growth with preserving the unique character that makes Ann Arbor special. While this type of change must be approached with sensitivity to all viewpoints, I believe this project reflects a responsible path

Thanks in advance,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rishi Narayan".

Rishi Narayan