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To Whom It May Concern:

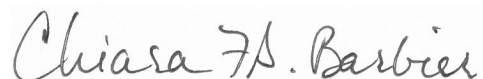
I support the application to apply the standard three-foot setback requirements for the proposed garage project at 710 Spring St.

The existing garage, which borders my west property line, is badly damaged and needs to be replaced. The proposed design for a new garage at 710 Spring St. will be much safer than the existing structure, will greatly help with water management, and is a significant aesthetic improvement.

Strict application of the existing R2A zoning would require the proposed garage to be sited more than three feet off the property line due to the amount of area built up in the backyard. This does not make sense and jeopardizes the viability of the project by rendering it unusable for parking a vehicle due to its close proximity to the existing house. Additionally, by not having the two garages in alignment, it creates poor sightlines for surrounding neighbors.

The current damaged garage is a shared structure between 710 and 714 Spring St. that is a challenge to replace under the existing city zoning laws. As the neighbor most impacted by this project, allowing the new replacement garages (at both 710 and 714 Spring St.) to be built at the standard three-foot setback is a reasonable request that I fully support.

Sincerely,



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