



## **ADVISORY NEIGHBORHOOD COMMISSION 3E**

**TENLEYTOWN AMERICAN UNIVERSITY PARK  
FRIENDSHIP HEIGHTS**

c/o Lisner Home 5425 Western Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20015

### **Resolution Regarding the Historic Preservation Review Board Review of the Concept Plan for the Modernization of the Jesse Reno School and the Related Addition to Deal Middle School**

**WHEREAS**, the Historic Preservation Review Board (HPRB) designated the Jesse Reno School (the “Reno School”), located at 4820 Howard Street, NW, as an historic landmark, listed in the DC Inventory of Historic Sites;

**WHEREAS**, the Reno School, as the one time school for African-American children in the community, is an important landmark and a reminder of an important chapter in the history of our community, City and nation;

**WHEREAS**, Deal Middle School is currently in the midst of planning to incorporate the Reno School structure into its campus and in doing so can best honor the history of the building by putting it to use in the education of a diverse student body;

**WHEREAS**, the City has developed a Concept Plan for the improvement and modernization of the Reno School and a further addition linking the historic structure to Deal Middle School;

**WHEREAS**, execution of the Concept Plan would allow Deal Middle School both to serve its growing population and honor the history of the Reno School; and

**WHEREAS**, ANC 3E and other members of the community will have had little opportunity to comment on and contribute to the design reflected in the Concept Plan in advance of the HPRB hearing on November 17, 2011 and school officials and the architects are continuing to work on issues relating to accommodating the education program.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ANC 3E supports the endorsement of the Concept Plan by the HPRB as consistent with the landmark designation of the Reno School, but reserves the right for it and other members of the community to contribute to the evolving plans for the project in the coming months.

ANC 3E approved this resolution at its meeting on November 9, 2011, which was properly noticed and at which a quorum was present. It was approved by a vote of 4-0.

Commissioners Jonathan Bender, Mathew Frumin, Sam Serebin, and Tom Quinn were present.

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By Jonathan Bender, Chairperson