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Architectural Committee Philadelphia Historical Commission 576 City Hall Philadelphia, PA 19107

Re: 3 Rector Street

Dear Committee,

Manayunk Neighborhood Council has met with David Waxman and Alon Barzilay regarding their recent designs to add additional floors to the historic building at 3 Rector Street. We appreciate the efforts of Mr. Waxman and Mr. Barzilay and their willingness to meet with use.

Manayunk Neighborhood Council is concerned that the proposed changes will not preserve the critical historic character of the building or of the Main Street Historic District. In this difficult case it is our position to support the recommendations of the Historical Commission staff. It is our understanding that staff will be recommending denial.

Thank You,

Kevin Smith President

Cc: **Councilman Michael Nutter** Kay Sykora, Manayunk Neighborhood Council David Waxman