



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B
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August 18, 2008

Mr. Amha Selassie, Director
State Health Planning and Development Agency
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Washington, D.C. 20001

To Be Sent Via US Mail and Fax

Dear Director Selassie:

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B held a special public meeting at 6:30 pm on August 14, 2008 at Metropolitan Police Department's 4th District headquarters in the Community Room, at 6001 Georgia Avenue, NW. A quorum was present for all votes.

On the agenda was a presentation and discussion from Mr. Clifford Barnes, a representative from Renal Advantage, Inc. and Minority Nephrologists of Washington, DC. Following the discussion, and after listening to vocal support from Ward 4 residents, we adopted the following resolution with respect to the group's application for a Certificate of Need in a 4-0-1 show-of-hands vote.

"Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B supports Renal Advantage, Inc. establishing a renal dialysis facility in Ward 4 for the benefit of End Stage Renal Dialysis patients in Ward 4."

During the discussion, Mr. Barnes showed us compelling statistics demonstrating Ward 4's need for a treatment center. He also described Renal Advantage's policy of serving Medicare and Medicaid patients and providing free care and services if patients cannot qualify for coverage.

The August 14th special public meeting was the second time ANC 4B discussed Renal Advantage's application and heard from Mr. Barnes. On July 24, 2008, during our regularly scheduled public meeting, we entertained a short presentation from Mr. Barnes and Dr. Cossette Jamieson.

We look forward to working with Dr. Barnes to ensure the need for a dialysis center is met in Ward 4.

Sincerely,

Douglass Sloan, Chair

cc: Honorable Muriel Bowser, City Council of the District of Columbia
The Commissioners of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4B
Clifford Barnes, Esq.

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4A

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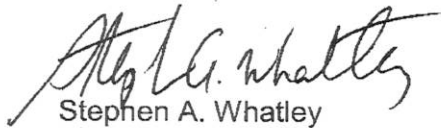
September 5, 2008

Mr. Amha Selassie, Director
State Health Planning & Development Agency
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Subject: Renal Advantage, Inc.

Dear Mr. Selassie,
Advisory Neighborhood Commission 4A voted at its regularly scheduled open community meeting of September 2, 2008 to recommend approval of the Renal Advantage Inc facility at 37-39 Missouri Avenue NW, Washington, DC. There was a quorum present and the community was appropriately notified of the meeting.

Please feel free to contact me at 202-720-4590 if you have any questions.



Stephen A. Whatley
Chairman
ANC 4A

cc: Cliff Barnes, Renal Advantage Inc.
Muriel Bowser, DC Councilmember



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October 22, 2008

Mr. Amha Selassie, Director
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Dear Mr. Selassie,

I am writing in support of the development of a dialysis center in Ward 4 by Renal Advantage, Inc. at 37-39 Missouri Avenue, NW. I understand that similar letters of support have been sent from ANC 4A and 4B.

There is not a renal dialysis center currently in Ward 4 and this center would be a resource to the large "end stage renal disease" population in the ward. Furthermore, Ward 4 is the only ward with a significant "end stage renal disease" population that does not already have access to a dialysis center directly. The distance patients travel to get their dialysis treatment significantly impacts their quality of life, as these patients receive dialysis at least three times per week. Furthermore, the dialysis centers closest to Ward 4 residents are close to maximum capacity. Therefore, Ward 4 dialysis patients must travel significant distances at least three times per week to receive treatment. Renal Advantage Inc. is proposing to address this deficiency by developing a dialysis center in a building that is currently vacant and an eyesore in the community.

For these reasons, I support approval for the development of the dialysis facility proposed by Renal Advantage Inc. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Muriel Bowser
Councilmember Ward 4

cc: Clifford Barnes ✓