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Ms. Francoise Carrier Planning Board Chair M-NCPPC 8787 Georgia Avenue Silver Spring, MD 20910

Dear Planning Board Chair Carrier,

I write to inform you that the Silver Spring Historical Society has transferred to Marcie Stickle and George French the official role of nominators of the Silver Spring Baptist Church complex for Historic Designation. Ms. Stickle and Mr. French researched and wrote the nomination, presented it to various community groups and assisted in my presentation to the Historic Preservation Commission during the process of nomination to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation and/or the Locational Atlas.

Ms. Stickle and Mr. French look forward to presenting and testifying at the Planning Board hearing on this issue on May 26. They plan also to discuss the successful model of partial preservation.

Historic designation of the church complex has the support of the HPC Staff and eight expert organizations. The Silver Spring Historical Society continues to support the position of the Historic Preservation Commission staff that the Silver Spring Baptist Church complex merits designation.

Sincerely,

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