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The historic 100 block of Prince Street is a major Alexandria tourist attraction. Annually, thousands of visitors stop to take photos of the cobblestone street and its 18/19th Century homes. Neighbors on the block take pride in their surroundings and strive to maintain its attractiveness and authenticity.

We understand that the owner of 104 Prince Street has submitted a proposal to add a rooftop deck to his building. The deck would be enclosed with a railing for safety reasons. The plan indicates that the railing would only be 18 inches from the edge of the building. In our opinion, given the historic character of the block, neither the deck nor the railing should be visible from the street.

It has been suggested that a mock-up (PVC pipe) be constructed so that the Board members and the community can see if the railing will be intrusive. We think this is an excellent idea that should be accomplished before the BAR takes any action with regard to the proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

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