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**HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEW BOARD  
STAFF REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION**

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Landmark/District: **National Association for the Relief of Destitute  
Colored Women and Children** (pending designation)       Agenda  
Address: **733 Euclid Street NW**

Meeting Date: **July 28, 2022**       Raze  
Case Number: **22-366**       Permit

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The applicant, property owner Euclid Flats LLC (Prime Realty LLC), requests the Board's review of an application to raze the three-story, brick Second-Empire-style building, constructed in 1887.

The property is described in more detail in a pending historic landmark designation application. If the Board denies designation, the property will no longer be subject to the historic preservation law, nor will it remain within the purview of the Board or the Historic Preservation Office.

If designated a landmark, however, the Board cannot recommend in favor of issuance of a permit to raze the building. Razing a landmark fails to retain and enhance it, or to restore it or adapt it to new uses. Such demolition is therefore contrary to the purposes of the preservation law (D.C. Official Code § 6-1101(b)(2)).

**Recommendation**

*If the Board designates the property a landmark, the Board should recommend that the Mayor's Agent deny a permit to raze as inconsistent with the purposes of the preservation law. If the Board does not designate the property, it will not remain subject to the preservation law, and no further action on the raze application will be necessary.*