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BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT (BZA)

District of Columbia
441 4th Street NW
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RE Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará Application to renew the
Certificate of Occupancy at 1326 Quincy Street NE Washington, DC 20017

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I am writing on behalf of my fellow- ANC 5B02, Woodridge/Brookland neighbors,
the Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará located at 1326 Quincy Street
NE, Washington, DC 20017, to support their petition for renewal of their
Certificate of Occupancy

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presence in our neighborhood, but rather they are a welcome addition to our
local community

Sincerely yours,

Ursula Higgins, Commissioner

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Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
CASE NO.18095B
EXHIBIT NO.5C

Franciscan Monastery USA Inc
1400 Quincy St NE Washington DC 20017

May 8, 2015

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To Whom It May Concern:

The Franciscan Monastery USA, Inc. is delighted to submit this letter in support of our dear neighbor, The Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matara, and its application to renew its certificate of occupancy.

The Monastery regards The Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matara as a wonderful addition to the Brookland community. Since its arrival in 2011, we have had opportunity to participate in a number of events they have hosted and have been very pleased with its integration into the community and the warm reception they have received from its surrounding neighbors.

We fully support the renewal of its certificate of occupancy as we consider them our partners in bringing a sense of tranquility and spiritual support to our fellow residents. It is obvious that they care a great deal about the people they interact with on a daily basis. We can think of no reason why the certificate should not be renewed.

Sincerely,

Fr. John-Sebastian Laird-Hammond, O.F.M.
Secretariat, Franciscan Monastery USA, Inc.,
and Commissariat of the Holy Land of the United States of America





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Washington, DC 20001

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of my fellow Brookland neighbors, the Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará (1326 Quincy Street NE, Washington, DC 20017), to support their petition for renewal of their Certificate of Occupancy.

In the years since their arrival in 2011, I have found no complaint against their presence in our neighborhood, but rather they are a welcome and wonderful addition to our local community.

Many on staff at Franciscan Mission Service know the sisters very well. The sisters often host our intentional community of volunteers for dinner and prayer, especially while our missionaries are in training each fall. Their property is always clean and well-maintained, an effort that is greatly appreciated. The Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará are simply a joy to have as neighbors and I fully support their petition for renewal of their Certificate of Occupancy.

Peace and all good,

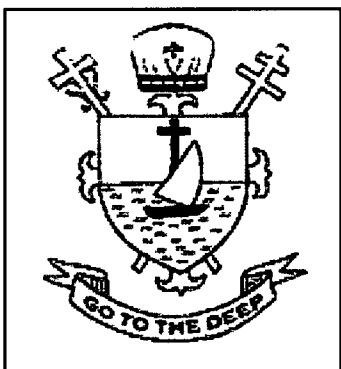


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Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA)
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Washington, DC 20001

To Whom it May Concern,

I am delighted to tender this letter on behalf on my next door neighbors, The Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Mantara (1326 Quincy St. NE, Washington, DC 20017).

As I stated above, I am the next door neighbor of these good Sisters, and of course there are no complaints. Their presence in our neighborhood has been a profound blessing, bringing a sprit of tranquil peace. They do many kind deeds of the neighbors, and for that so many are grateful. They are a prayerful presence, and in this very distrubed world rather vital. Brooland is fortunate to have them.

I along with the members of own household support their petition for renewal of their Certificate of Occupancy.

Sincerely,

Abbot Joseph Lee MSU
Rt. Rev. Abbot Joseph Lee, MSU
Monastic Superior
1302 Quincy St. NE
Washington, DC

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Sincerely,

Charlotte Rogers
Signature

April 2, 2015
Date

Charlotte Rogers
Printed Name

1325 Quincy St NE Washington DC 20017
Address

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Sincerely,

Gregory T Kimball

Signature

4/28/15

Date

GREGORY T KIMBALL

Printed Name

1315 Randolph St NE WDC 20017

Address

We really enjoy the relationship we have with the sisters next door. They are part of our community and its our hope that they continue to reside next door for many years into the future

Respectfully,
Greg Kimball

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Sincerely,

Richard Dew
Signature

4/3/15
Date

Richard Dew
Printed Name

1313 Quincy St. NE, Washington DC 20017
Address

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Sincerely,

Fr. Addison Hallock, MSA
Signature

15 April 2015
Date

FR ADDISON HALLOCK, MSA
Printed Name

1335 Quincy St, NE, Washington DC 20017
Address

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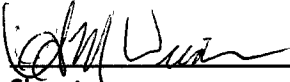
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Sincerely,


Signature

4/18/15
Date

Amy Wiedemann Burch
Printed Name

3407 13th St NE 20017
Address

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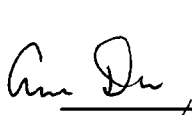
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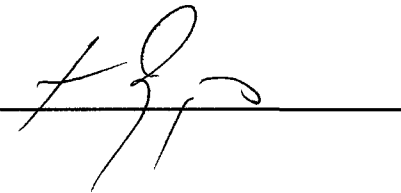
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Signature


Date

Anne Davis, Steven Pappas
Printed Name

1300 Quincy St. NE. Wash DC. 20017
Address

Dear Neighbors,

The “blue nuns” need your help. We are applying to the DC Government Board of Zoning (BZA) to renew our Certificate of Occupancy so that our convent may continue to be home to a large number of young women religious in the years to come.

As part of the application, we have been asked to supply letters of support from our neighbors.

Would you be willing to provide a letter to Board of Zoning? You may use the form letter we are offering, or compose your own letter.

We would ask that such a letter:

- Be addressed to:
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT (BZA)
District of Columbia
441 4th Street NW Suite 200S
Washington, DC 20001
- Include your name and address.
- Reference our name and address:
Institute of the Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará
1326 Quincy Street NE
Washington, DC 20017
- Be given to us by April 30th for the application package we are submitting to the city.

Thank you for this kindness to our sisters.

Please feel free to contact us. Further questions may be addressed to:

Sr. Maria Theotókos Adams, SSVM

Tel. 202-543-1179, e-mail: sec.jun.ihm@servidoras.org

Be assured of our prayers for all our neighbors, especially during the daily rosary walk.

Sincerely,

M. Immaculate, SSVM

Mother Mary of the Immaculate Conception Ambrogio, SSVM

and the Sisters of the Juniorate Immaculate Heart of Mary House of Studies

Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará

1326 Quincy Street NE

www.ssvmusa.org