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To the Board of Zoning Adjustment,

I trust my wish to write this letter anonymously will be accepted. As longtime residents of the neighborhood, I feel it vital to write in opposition of the "special exception in allowance of a child development center". What you should know is this has been a great disturbance to the neighborhood. To see a multitude of carriages strewn across a sidewalk (on both the 29th Street side and the O Street side) is unfair. The loudness of the occupants in a residential area is not only absurd but wrong. I love children...I have children...I support children. What I do not support is outsiders coming in and taking advantage of a neighborhood. There have been times my child has been sick and cannot gain peace for during the outside sessions. It is unfair that residents have to move a sick child away from noise that should not be in a residential neighborhood in the first place.

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Adding to the concern of my family is the brazenness in which this group operates. They are proceeding, business as usual. Outside persons recently built a sandbox in the playground on the O Street side. This entrance is utilized by all participants of the playgroup during the session. Hoards of parents and children and aides invade the block and it has grown unruly, truth-be-told. Besides the unacceptable visual aspects of a playground, the invasion of privacy of nearby residents should be noted.

Of added note is the fact that participants of that group have confronted neighbors. One even mentioned my neighbors' flowerboxes were ugly. What kind of a person says such a thing? This technicality aside, Intown Playgroup is UNWELCOMED and I petition the Board of Zoning Adjustment to halt this activity that has destroyed our quaint residential area. There is a public playground, two actually, in varying parts of Rose Park. One is a fenced area at the end of Dumbarton, the other is an open area at the end of O Street. Many children take advantage of these permanent play areas, both within a mere 2 block walk of Mt. Zion. We need to return the neighborhood to its former charming and peaceful state. This can be done ONLY IF ALL activity related to the children was conducted INSIDE the church, the O Street side is NOT utilized, and the children's playtime is conducted at one of the two playgrounds within 2 blocks of Mt. Zion.