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Board of Zoning Adjustment
Office of Zoning
Government of the District of Columbia
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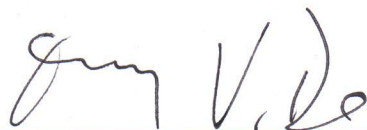
Dear Board of Zoning Adjustment:

The Buddhist Congregational Church of America would like to apply for an area variance for our proposed second floor addition project at the Worship Building. The limited size of the property makes it difficult for the Church to build this addition in compliance with the Zoning Regulations.

For many years the Church has been sorely needing a Dining Hall where its followers can have meals after they attend religious ceremonies. Therefore, approval of the application will greatly enhance the followers' use and enjoyment of the church facilities.

We believe that granting the application will not be detrimental to the public good, regarding traffic, noise, lighting, etc... because we are not increasing the occupancy load of the Worship Building or the number of parking spaces on the property: the same people who attend the religious ceremonies in the new Worship Hall on the new second floor will be the same people who will have meals in the new Dining Hall on the existing ground floor after the ceremonies are completed.

Finally, granting the application will not be inconsistent with the general intent and purpose of the Zoning Regulations and Map.



Applicant (Quy V. Do)