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TO: Government of the District of Columbia
Board of Zoning Adjustment

FROM: Patricia E. Mitchell
Director, Fillmore Arts Center

RE: Application # 16554

DATE: February 29, 2000

Subject: Music School - 2306 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.

I strongly support the application of Mr. Jim Edmonds and Dr. Julie Edmonds for a teaching facility in the Barney Studio House. The Barney House is one of the few historic monuments to a woman in the arts in the United States.

Mr. & Mrs. Edmonds plan to recreate the House exactly as it was designed 100 years ago and provide a facility for learning music which is sorely needed.

Mr. Edmonds is a Washington native. He has demonstrated his support and enthusiasm for the children of the District of Columbia by facilitating instrument purchase and rental for Ellington and Fillmore Arts Center students. Mr. Edmonds has supported Fillmore for the past eight years by providing instruments at cost or below for the school to purchase. Mr. Edmonds provides free delivery and pickup so that busy parents only have to call his store for their child to rent an instrument.

In recognition of Mr. Edmonds' support of the Fillmore Arts Center, he received our Award in Arts Education in May 1997. Mr., Wynton Marsalis made the award. In addition Mr. Edmonds' Foxes Music Company was named "Business of the Year" in Northern Virginia.

Please support the Edmonds in their efforts to make this important contribution to the city of Washington D.C.'s future musicians.

Sincerely Yours,

Patricia E. Mitchell

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