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Ms. Sheila B. Reid
Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustments
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Re: Application #16556

Dear Ms. Reid,

Though I currently reside in Maryland, I work in the District of Columbia, as Minister for the All Peoples Congregation, which meets in Tifereth Israel Congregation. I join many in Shepherd Park, members of Ohev Sholom Talmud Torah, and Tifereth Israel synagogues in supporting the Jewish Primary Day School of the Nation's Capital's application before the Board of Zoning Adjustment. The Jewish Primary Day School (JPDS) is the only Jewish day school in the District of Columbia and the school is committed to remaining in the District. The JPDS application is for temporary occupancy at 7701 and 7712 Sixteenth Street, NW.

The Jewish Primary Day School is a true treasure for the District's entire community. Founded in 1987, JPDS is an independent school open to everyone. The school has been recognized for the quality of its educational curriculum, faculty talent and students' performance. Most importantly, half of the JPDS families are District residents. The Jewish Primary Day School's temporary and permanent location certainly should be in the District of Columbia.

This temporary three-year occupancy will mean so much to the 180 children who are eager for their beloved school to have a home. Tifereth Israel Congregation has been a good neighbor in taking in my congregation when we needed a home. Thank you for approving this application and for allowing JPDS to remain in the District.

Sincerely,

Daniel Aldridge

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Cc: Councilmember Charlene Drew Jarvis
Councilmembers at Large
Andrew Altman, Office of Planning
Joseph Hairston, Chair ANC 4A

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