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February 28, 2000

Ms. Sheila Reid
Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 Fourth Street, NW
Suite 220
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Application No. 16556

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
OFFICE OF ZONING
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Dear Ms. Reid:

As long time residents of the District of Columbia, we are committed to maintaining excellent educational opportunities for all residents of the city. Therefore, we are writing on behalf of the Jewish Primary Day School's application for temporary occupancy at 7701 and 7712 Sixteenth Street, NW.

As you know, this school -- the only Jewish day school in the nation's capital -- is seeking a permanent home in the district. However, until the permanent site is completed, the school requires a temporary location, which Tifereth Israel and Ohev Shalom synagogues have graciously agreed to provide. The approval of the JPDS-NC zoning application is critical to ensure the continuation and smooth transition of our school to a temporary site, and it is important that the decision be taken as soon as possible to allow sufficient time for the school to be ready for the coming academic year.

Please be assured the JPDS-NC is committed to working with the Shepherd Park neighborhood to minimize the traffic impact and to offer programs and facilities that will benefit the community.

Our school helps keep families who want to provide their children with a quality Jewish education in Washington, DC rather than having to move to the suburbs. For families like us, JPDS is the only option in the District of Columbia.

We sincerely hope you will help ensure that the 180 children who attend JPDS will have a school in the city next year and well into the future. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lisa Eisen

cc: Councilmember Charlene Drew Jarvis
Councilmembers at Large
Andrew Altman, Office of Planning

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