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Ms. Sheila Reid
Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 Fourth St., NW, Suite 220
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RE: APPLICATION NO.16556

Dear Ms. Reid,

We have been residents of the District of Columbia for close to 14 years. We love this city and would like to continue to live here, educate our children here, and help the city thrive.

We join the neighbors and members of Tifereth Israel and Ohev Sholom in writing this letter to show our support and urge you to approve the application of the Jewish Primary Day School of the National Capital for temporary occupancy at 7701 and 7712 Sixteenth Street, NW. This temporary occupancy, at these two existing synagogues, will insure that the Jewish Primary Day School continues to thrive as it plans and builds a permanent location in the District. This temporary site is needed for three years. The approval of the JPDS-NC zoning application is critical to ensure the continuation and smooth transition of our school to a temporary site. It is important for the BZA to expedite its decision on this application to allow sufficient time for the school to be ready for the next school year. The school is doing everything it can to minimize the impact of the school, and traffic in particular, on the surrounding neighborhood.

For the last 12 years, the Jewish Primary Day School has become a magnet for District families looking for an excellent school and a more intensive Jewish education. JPDS-NC serves 180 children; fully half of the school's families are D.C. residents. The location of the temporary home at the two Synagogues is central to the homes of the vast majority of our families. This is also the only Jewish day school in the District of Columbia and its tremendous growth over the last decade is a clear indication that we need to keep it here. We thank you for helping this to happen.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Councilmember Charlene Drew Jarvis
Councilmembers at Large
Andrew Altman, Office of Planning
City Council representative, Kathy Patterson

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