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Ms. Sheila Reid
Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 Fourth Street, NW Suite 210S
Washington, D.C.

February 28, 2000

RE: Application No. 16556

Dear Ms. Reid:

As long-time resident of Washington, and the parent of a child attending the Jewish Primary Day School of the Nation's Capitol, I am writing to urge the Board of Zoning Adjustment to approve the school's zoning application for a temporary site. The approval is critical to the continued success of this excellent school.

There is no question that JPDS-NC attracts and keeps families in Washington. Without the school, many families who want their children to attend a Jewish day school would move to the suburbs where such schools exist. JPDS-NC should be viewed as critical to the vitality of the city itself.

For eleven years, JPDS-NC has provided families in Washington an opportunity to send their children to a Jewish community day school where they receive a very strong education in both Judaics and secular studies. In fact, JPDS-NC is the *only* such school in the city. More than 60 families who reside in Washington rely on this school for their children's education.

As JPDS-NC has indicated, the school and the parent body are fully committed to working with the Shepherd Elementary neighborhood to address it concerns regarding traffic, etc. We appreciate the importance being good neighbors, and providing community service to the areas that accommodate schools.

We hope the BZA will consider and approve this application in an expedited fashion to ensure sufficient time for the school to move and reestablish itself so it's ready for the 2000/2001 school year. Thank you for considering my views.

Sincerely,

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

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