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Ms. Sheila Cross Reid
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441 Fourth St. NW Suite 210
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Re: Application #16556

Dear Ms. Reid,

Though I do not live in Shepherd Park, I am a DC resident. I would like to go on record as supporting the Jewish Primary Day School of Washington, D.C. application before the Board of Zoning Adjustment. I understand that in doing so, I join many of those in Shepherd Park, members of Ohev Sholom Talmud Torah, and Tifereth Israel synagogues and Reverend Aldridge. 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 student 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. Thank you for approving this application and for allowing JPDS to remain in the District.

Sincerely,

Martin Kessel, Ph.D.

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

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