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OFFICE OF ZONING
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Ms. Sheila B. Reid
Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustments
441 Fourth St. NW
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Application #16556

Dear Ms. Reid,

Though I do not live in Shepherd Park, I am a DC resident. I would like to support the application of the Jewish Primary Day School of the Nation's Capital's now 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. Moreover, JPDS is an independent school open to everyone. The JPDS application is for temporary occupancy at 7701 and 7712 Sixteenth Street, NW.

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.

I strongly believe that the zoning board must consider the needs of all District residents in making its decisions, and weigh these larger public goods more heavily than the inconveniences the location of educational institutions may impose on the minority of residents in particular neighborhoods who live nearby.

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,
George D. Greenberg

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

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