JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF GREATER WASHINGTON

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Sheila C. Reid, Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 220
Washington, D.C. 20012

Re: Application #16556

Dear Ms. Reid:

The Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington is the public affairs arm of the organized Jewish community and represents 27 D.C. Jewish organizations and agencies. The Council strongly supports the Jewish Primary Day School's (JPDS) application before the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

The District is currently undergoing a major renaissance and revitalization. People with diverse talents and backgrounds are looking to the District as a place to reside, engage in business and the professions and raise their families. If this positive trend is to continue, the Jewish Primary Day School's application must be approved. Without schools like JPDS in the District, the city will continue to lose families, who contribute to the social and economic development of the city.

The Jewish Primary Day School is one of the District's premier educational institutions. It has been widely recognized for its commitment to educational excellence. The majority of the students who attend the school live in the District and their families strongly desire to educate their children in the city.

The temporary three year occupancy will mean a great deal to the 178 children and their families who are eager to locate a home for the school. We urge you to approve the application.

Sincerely,

Douglas Bloomfield
President

Murray Tenenbaum
Executive Director

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