1520 Kalmia Rd., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20012

Ms. Sheila B. Reid
Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
414 Fourth St., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Application No. 16556

Dear Ms. Reid:

I have been a long time resident of Shepherd Park and a practicing attorney in the District of Columbia. I wish to join with my neighbors in supporting the application of the Jewish Primary Day School for temporary occupancy at 7701 and 7712 Sixteenth St., N.W. Those two addresses designate existing, large synagogues on Sixteenth Street. The temporary (3-year) use of the existing space in those synagogues is an appropriate use. The few additional cars of parents and staff will add very little to the existing traffic; and I believe the school will do everything possible to minimize the impact on the neighborhood.

The JPDS is well known for its excellent staff and curriculum. It is the only Jewish day school left in the District. I understand that the school has lost its lease at Connecticut and Porter and must have permission to use the Sixteenth Street synagogues if it is to continue to exist. It is, therefore, very important that the school, which is planning a permanent building in the District, be permitted this temporary use of the existing synagogue space. I strongly urge you to approve the application.

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