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Ms. Sheila B. Reid
Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
414 Fourth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

RE: APPLICATION #16556

Dear Ms. Reid,

We moved to Washington, DC five years ago from New York City. We chose to live in the District because we enjoy the urban lifestyle. And with our children's school (we have three) only two blocks away, the benefits outweighed the drawbacks of city living.

However, if the Jewish Primary Day School's application for temporary occupancy at 7701 and 7712 Sixteenth Street, NW is not approved, the school will have to move to the suburbs. And so will we. As much as we are committed to an urban lifestyle, we are even more so to a Jewish education for our children. We feel that we are as good for the District as the District is for us.

JPDS has been a good neighbor to the Cleveland Park neighborhood; and we would be to the neighborhoods surrounding Tifereth Israel and Ohev Shalom. Schools, whether public or private, contribute to the vibrancy and stability of neighborhoods. I am asking for your support to keep the school, and us, in the District. Thank you for helping this to happen.

Sincerely,

Jane M. Hughes

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