GAN HAYELED of ADAS ISRAEL

March 8, 2000

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Ms. Sheila Reid
Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
442 Fourth St. NW Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

Re: Application No. 16556

Dear Ms. Reid,

I am writing to express my strong support for the zoning application submitted by the Jewish Primary Day School of the Nation's Capitol and to urge its approval by the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

As Director of the Adas Israel Gan HaYeled Nursery School, each year I have seen a large number of our graduating students enroll in JPDS-NC. JPDS-NC provides an excellent Jewish and secular education. The staff and parent body are committed to instilling strong values including a strong emphasis on community outreach. It is a wonderful place where children can receive an education that will help them become productive members of our society.

Families enrolling in JPDS-NC want and deserve a Jewish day school here in the District of Columbia. Without JPDS-NC, families will either have to choose to forgo a Jewish day school education or travel long distances to provide such an education. For some families, this would probably mean moving out of the District and into one of the surrounding suburbs.

Thus, it is essential, for these families and for the District of Columbia, that JPDS-NC be provided a temporary site until a permanent site is secured. I hope that the BZA in considering the JPDS-NC zoning application understands the significance for the community. I trust it will make a fair and just decision.

Sincerely
Shelley Remer

cc:
Council member Charlene Drew Jarvis
Council member Kathy Patterson
Council members at Large
Andrew Altman, Office of Planning

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Shelley Remer
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