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

Re: Application No. 16556

Dear Ms. Reid:

We have lived in Shepherd Park for many years and are happy to join with our neighbors in supporting the application of the Jewish Primary Day School for temporary occupancy at 7701 and 7712 Sixteenth Street, N.W. Those two addresses are those of existing 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. We are sure that JPDS will do everything possible to minimize the impact on the neighborhood.

The JPDS is well known for its demanding curriculum, its imaginative staff and its proven record in producing graduates who excel in the schools they attend after finishing elementary school. We understand that the school has lost its lease at Adas Israel at Connecticut and Porter and must have permission to use the Sixteenth Street synagogues if it is to continue to exist. We strongly feel that it is important that the school, which is planning a permanent building in the District, be permitted this temporary use of the existing synagogue space. We urge you to approve the application.

Yours very truly,

Benjamin Mintz

Harriet Mintz

cc: Councilmember Charlene Drew Jarvis
Councilmembers-at-Large
Andrew Altman, Office of Planning
ANC 4A03, Joseph Hairston

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