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Ms. Elizabeth Ely
The Field School
2126 Wyoming Ave., NW
Washington DC, 20008

Re: Purchase of the Cafritz Estate by the Field School

Dear Ms. Ely:

We would like to register our support for the application by the Field School for the purchase of the Cafritz Estate for the following reasons. As an immediate neighbor with 120' of adjoining open property, we have been extremely concerned with the potential for loss of privacy. Our house sits only 15 feet from the common property line and we are extremely affected by potential building plans by an eventual purchaser. Because of the topography, there is a straight line view from the estate grounds into two main bedroom windows from only 20'. We also are concerned about the possibility, albeit remote, of a road being built to connect W St and 44th St. Our concerns regarding the traffic on Foxhall exist but we feel that the combined proposals of encouraging shuttle bus use, limiting left turns, a stop light and other measures to mitigate traffic in the neighborhood would mitigate what is an existing problem caused by speeding commuters from Maryland and Virginia along a "country lane" with no sidewalks.

We appreciate the concern that you have shown regarding limiting the impact of building on the immediate neighbors. We appreciated your early visit to our home and recognize that your early commitments to respect the neighbors was followed by a blueprint where the buildings were carefully placed to minimize the impact on our property. Of particular importance to us and other neighbors on W Street was the lack of building between Foxhall and Foxboro Place. We would also like to discuss with you ensuring that this piece of the property continues to be protected from future permanent structures. We also appreciate the landscaping and hope that, if you complete the purchase, we can continue to work together on a mutually agreeable landscaping solution that will protect our garden, light and privacy.

If you would like to discuss with us, we invite you to contact either Ms. Jennifer Johnson-Calari during the day at 202 477-8311 or either of us at home after 6 pm at 202 625-2636.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Johnson-Calari

Cesare Calari and
Jennifer Johnson-Calari

Cc: Board of Zoning Adjustment

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