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April 11, 2000
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Dear Ms. Grant :

I am sorry that my schedule will not permit me to appear at the hearing in order to support Stanton Glenn Limited Partnership in its efforts to secure a special exception to place a day care center at 3040 Stanton Road, S. E. ARCH wholeheartedly supports your efforts to provide a safe environment for up to sixty children, which will also benefit their families by allowing them to go to their jobs with the knowledge that their children are being well cared-for in a secure place which offers opportunities for cultural and educational enrichment.

As you know, ARCH is currently a partner of Stanton Glenn Limited Partnership through our Construction Skills Training program. Stanton Glenn is providing a productive training site and program funding for adults who need employment and has agreed to employ successful completers of the training. This, along with your other work in the neighborhood, supports self sufficiency for individuals who have not been well-served in more traditional employers. Your proposed project extends and expands your service to the neighborhood and ARCH is eager to assist you in securing the special exception you require to proceed.

ARCH is a non profit 501 (c) (3),community based organization which has been providing services to low income adults and youth in Southeast Washington and all of the District since 1987. We have been involved in HUD funded Youthbuild programs since 1994, and have been awarded six implementation grants, to date. We are currently providing paraprofessional training in the field of Paralegal skills to adults, as well as a construction skills training program, also for adults. ARCH serves those with basic educational skills needs in our Adult Basic Education programs and prepares those who are ready to seek the GED. Our funding sources include federal agencies, District of Columbia Department of Employment Services, DC Public Schools, the Mott Foundation and other public and private funders.

ARCH clients include many single, custodial parents, both mothers and fathers. These men and women are engaged in serious efforts to secure academic and vocational skills in preparation for employment and self sufficiency. While in training and in early employment, particularly, they are dependent upon support from social support agencies as well as from the non-custodial parent. It is extremely important for our clients to have access to worry-free day care to support their efforts to enhance their ability to raise their children in a loving and supportive

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environment, free from worry. The increase in the number of such day care slots will benefit all low income parents by raising the standard and providing an example for other providers to follow.

Sincerely,

Duane Gautier
President/Chair ARCH