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Ms. Jerily R. Kress, FAIA
Director Board of Zoning Adjustments
Members Board of Zoning Adjustments
Re: case No.16570

My name is Gloria Baker I am an employee of Mrs. Bertha Tucker at Tuckers Day Care Center and I myself am also a resident of ward 8. I am writing this letter to voice my concerns about the issues that the zoning board has with the center. I can not understand why ther is a problem with someone who is trying to do a positive thing within the community, when there is so much negativity going on in the neighborhood. For example if you were to walk through the street of ward 8 you would sure to see drug pushers, women on the corners all times of the day selling their bodies etc., yet I have not heard to many issues aroused about these problems than I have with this issue about with the Day Care. Why make it hard for someone who wants to do something for the children so they won't turn out to be one of those drug pushers or someone on the corner. I feel as though if this is a good thing for the neighborhood and also for the children. Working at the center myself I see first hand how many of the neighborhood children benefit from being at the center from gettting an early start on their education to getting nice healthy meals in which many of them may not get at home. To many times we make the mistake in creating problems instead of helping to find solutions and the expansion to any daycare would always be a solution to anything involving our children.

Sincerely
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