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Honorable Kathy Patterson
Council Member
Room 709
441 4th Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Ms. Patterson:

My youngest son is a graduate of Edmund Burke School (EBS), and is successfully attending Ithaca College, New York as a second semester Junior with a hopeful graduation date in May 2002. After just receiving his Masters in Sports Management from Springfield College in Massachusetts this year, my oldest son is an Assistant Coach at EBS. Therefore, we will always consider ourselves an involved and devoted family in the larger EBS family!

Being devoted members of the EBS family, we would like to express our strong support for EBS' proposed plans and the application for a Special Exemption to be considered this month. As a frequent visitor to EBS for games and other functions, we have observed that the school administration has tried very hard to be good neighbors and an asset to the neighborhood and the city as a whole.

Given the age group of the EBS population, we'd be willing to bet that EBS students are far better behaved and cause less trouble in the neighborhood that almost any other school in the District. We've benefitted from EBS hiring off-duty DC officers to facilitate the traffic flow around the school. We understand EBS has even curtailed outside events that produce significant revenue in an effort to be an even better neighbor in terms of generating traffic.

We hope that you will support the EBS application and their further service to the community. Burke's kind of educational institution is an important contributor to the overall educational offerings of the District and warrant your support. We will appreciate your continuing support.

Finally, we'd like to thank you and your staff for the assistance in clearing up some confusion that involved the Bureau of Traffic Adjudication. Your office's interest produced a willingness in the Bureau of Traffic Adjudication to talk to us and review the situation that was not there previously. Hopefully, this will resolve the confusion and end that sorry chapter. Your office staff was available, understanding, and helpful which meant a lot to us–Thanks again!

Sincerely,

Carla and Bill

Carla and Bill McQuaid
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Case No. 16611
Exhibit No. 106

cc: Re Application 16611 being considered by the District of Columbia Board of Zoning Adjustment, Room 210, 441 4th Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20001

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EXHIBIT NO.106