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Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210-S
Washington, DC 20003

Re: Application #16611 -- Edmund Burke School Expansion

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing in reference to the planned construction at Edmond Burke School. I am a resident of the District of Columbia. I do not live in the Burke school area, but I do have a granddaughter who attends Burke and I have observed the traffic congestion when I have picked her up from time to time. The construction project that Burke is planning is specifically designed to address and remedy that congestion. The plan will take traffic off Upton Street, frees the alley between Van Ness and Upton Street of Burke traffic, and does not disrupt Connecticut Avenue - - it creates a private drive for the Burke traffic.

Although I do not live near Burke, I do live near Key Elementary. Similar congestion occurs there and, I'm sure, in other neighborhoods. It is a fact of life that schools cause additional local traffic. I think it is laudable that Burke has taken the initiative to address that problem with their plans. The resulting traffic flow will not only make life more pleasant for the Burke neighbors, it will also make it safer and easier for children from Burke to be picked up.

Sincerely,

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