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Dear Board Members;

I am an Edmund Burke School parent writing to tell you of my strong support for the Edmund Burke School and it proposal for a new building on Connecticut Avenue. Edmund Burke is good for Washington, DC because it teaches values that produce strong active members of the community. Edmund Burke is a different kind of private school - one that has a strong commitment to the city through its community service program in which its students work with over 50 service providers throughout the city and because of the real effort the school makes to reach out to and attract students of all racial, ethnic and economic groups as well as the disabled.

Burke has always gone to great expense and effort to mitigate any traffic that the school causes to the neighborhood. These efforts include: hiring off-duty police officers to monitor and direct traffic during drop-off and pickup times and at evening school events; restricting student and faculty parking; and offering incentives to encourage Metro use.

Burke's expansion would be good for the neighborhood because it would improve the traffic attributed to the school beyond what Burke can do with its current facility. It would move the drop-off and pickup traffic from Upton street to Connecticut Avenue and add drop-off lane on the school's property. It will provide additional parking for the school on the site. At the same time it will continue to current efforts to mitigate traffic.

I think that the proposed expansion is a win for the city, the neighborhood and school. I hope you will take this into consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Ellen S Brown

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