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District of Columbia
Board of Zoning Adjustments
441 4th St. N.W.
Suite 210-S
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Edmund Burke School Application # 16611

Dear Board of Zoning Adjustments:

As a resident of the District of Columbia for the past twenty years, and the parent of a student at the Edmund Burke School, I strongly support the above application to expand the Edmund Burke School. The Edmund Burke School is an excellent academic institution that imposes high standards on its students. The school is located in a vibrant, thriving area of the District, and the District, as well as the school, would benefit from the school's proposed expansion.

The District benefits from having many choices of schools for its residents to attend, including independent schools. When I was looking at high schools for my son to attend, our first choice was Edmund Burke because of its excellent reputation and the fact that it is an urban school located on public transportation. My son, like so many other students who attend Burke, commutes to school by himself by taking a bus and subway. I understand the school also has an incentive program for it faculty to use public transportation which reduces congestion in the neighborhood. Burke is a diverse school, both racially and socio-economically and thus reflects the district's population. The proposed expansion will continue to allow Burke to maintain its excellence in the community.

In conclusion, I strongly support the above BZA application and the resulting benefits that will ensue with the proposed expansion, and I hope you will too. Please contact me at work at (202) 512-9764, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Susan Michal-Smith

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