BZA
Case No. 16611
Exhibit No. 50

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Department of Zoning Adjustment
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Dear Zoning Board members:

With reference to application number 16611, the expansion of Edmund Burke School, I respectfully urge you to support this. Edmund Burke is an excellent school that is making a real effort to turn out a socially conscious as well as well educated student body. Students volunteer ~~for~~ and raise money for organizations such as Martha's Table, the Mayique Child Care Center the Washington Home, Clean and Sober

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streets and Rachel's Women's Center. The student body is ethnically diverse.

Schools such as Burke are good for the city. They provide parents with more educational options than would exist otherwise. Since Burke is two blocks from a metro stop (bus less) the amount of traffic is less than it might be in an area of lower density.

While there have been problems with parking in the past, Burke is making an effort to cope with those problems. You have probably heard how the school ~~is~~ has hired off duty police officers to direct traffic in the morning and afternoon.

The BZA might want to direct the school to rent parking spaces at UDC to reduce the parking problems on Upton Street. Please approve this application. Sincerely,

Anne L. Chase