3602 Porter St., NW
Washington, D.C. 20016
December 9, 2000

Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street NW Suite 210-S
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Sirs:

I am writing in support of application #16611 from Edmund Burke School to build new classroom buildings on Upton Street. My daughter is in the Burke ninth grade.

The major issue is traffic. The neighbors are rightly concerned about the high volume of cars in the morning and afternoon, which are also due to the nearby Howard University School of Law and the Levine School of Music.

Burke proposes to shift the traffic from the narrow Upton Street bottleneck. It has met frequently with neighbors to meet the needs we all share. This is not the case with the National Cathedral School or other private schools which have engaged in long-running, highly contentious and expensive legal battles over large-scale expansion projects. This modest plan is vital to the moderate growth and reasonable expectations for a good school environment with the least disruption to the neighborhood. We have not spent millions of dollars on expensive lawyers to make our case. We can make it ourselves.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

William L. Harwood

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