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Ms. Nancy L. Feldman
The Neighbors United Trust
4911 W Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20007

Re: St. Patrick's School - BZA Application No. 16852

Dear Nancy:

I am writing to you in your capacity as the head of The Neighbors United Trust. St. Patrick's School is most interested in meeting with you and any members of your organization to discuss the pending application of St. Patrick's School to use the existing building at 4925 MacArthur Blvd. for its middle school. Immediately after the hearing on April 16, we contacted the two abutting property owners, the Houys and the Skrivseth-Wrights to request an opportunity to meet. In both cases, we were advised that a meeting would not be beneficial. In particular, the Skrivseth-Wrights indicated that there is no circumstance under which their opposition could be resolved.

We believe, nonetheless, that there is always benefit to a dialogue even when positions appear to be firmly entrenched. We are willing to retain a mediator if you would find it helpful. Further, we would like the opportunity to discuss our proposed covenant with you further since you had many questions at the hearing. We will make ourselves available at any time that is convenient for you and your colleagues.

We look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Allison C. Prince

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Peter Barrett (by fax)
Ms. Katherine Bradley (by fax)
Board of Zoning Adjustment (by hand)
Office of Planning (by fax)

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