STATEMENT OF EXISTING AND INTENDED USE

Rock Creek International School (the "Applicant") is located at 4470 Q Street, N.W. (the "Subject Property"). The Subject Property formerly housed a D.C. public school, the Hardy School. In BZA Application No. 16424, the Rock Creek International School received BZA approval to establish and operate a private school/child development center for 200 students and a staff of 35-40 people in an existing structure (the old Hardy School) in an R-1-B District, at premises 4470 Q Street, NW (square 1363, lot 980) (the "Subject Property"). The Board granted this application on February 3, 1999 by a bench decision with issuance of a summary order. A copy of that Order is attached to the Applicant's Motion for Modification of Approved Plans as Exhibit A. The Order contains seven conditions. The relevant condition is Condition No. 2. That condition requires that "the number of students shall not exceed 200, pre-kindergarten through fifth grade." The Applicant proposed that the school be pre-kindergarten through fifth grade. The Applicant's intent at that time (in 1999), and that intent remains, was to develop a middle school for grades six through eight at a different location. Because Rock Creek International School was unable to anticipate the difficulty and time frame involved in identifying and establishing a middle school, it is now faced with a situation where a number of its students who will be sixth graders will be forced to make a decision to move, by March 2002, to a different school rather than stay at the existing Rock Creek International facility.

There are no other changes to the Order. It still continues until September 30, 2009. The number of students still does not exceed 200. The number of staff does not exceed 40. The hours of operation and parking spaces do not change. The Applicant is still required to have an ongoing liaison with the Foxhall Community Citizens Association, ANC 2E, and other interested community members. Finally, the landscaping is still required to be provided and maintained. Therefore, the whole essence of this request is to allow existing Rock Creek International School students, who want to, to remain until the sixth grade rather than the fifth grade.

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