METROPOLITAN DAY SCHOOL, INC.
A Christian Learning Village
"Nurturing Children...Changing Lives"

August 8, 2002

Mr. Geoffrey H. Griffis, Chairperson
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW, Suite 210
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: BZA Application 16866
Howard University and Metropolitan Day School

Dear Mr. Griffis:

On behalf of the Metropolitan Day School, Inc., I request that BZA Application No. 16866 be withdrawn. At this time we are not prepared to move forward on the pending application.

We ask that the Board of Zoning Adjustment allow a portion of the $2,500.00 fee that was submitted with the above referenced application be allowed to transfer to a modification application that we will file related to Condition No. 12 in the initial BZA Application No. 16421. The modification request will be related to the arbor vitae planting required by the order. We will file that modification application as soon as the professional landscape personnel provide us with a formal report on the current problems with the planting.

Your consideration to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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cc: Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, Jr.
Chairperson, Board of Governors

Ms. Norma Broadnax, ANC 5A

Ms. Mary Baird-Currie, SMD/ANC 5A06

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