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Geoffrey H. Griffis, Chairman
Board of Zoning Adjustment
Office of Zoning
441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 210
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Mr. Griffis:

As the immediate past Single Member District Advisory Neighborhood Commission member, 1A05, I am is pleased to provide this letter in support of The Family Place's application for a zoning variance.

This neighborhood is increasingly home to many poor, young families. Often these families have emerged from very difficult histories and are new to our country and to the difficulties and responsibilities of living in an urban environment.

The Family Place occupies a unique place in the consortia of community-based service providers in the District of Columbia. The support services that The Family Place has made available to families over two decades in some of the city's most densely populated neighborhoods has been invaluable, not only to the low-income parents and their young children who reside there, but to the service provider community as well.

The Family Place not only does important work in our community but is also a good neighbor to the rest of us. I strongly urge the Board of Zoning Adjustments to grant a variance to such a worthwhile organization that is very much needed in the community.

Sincerely,

Ken Dean
Former ANC 1A05

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