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Geoffrey Griffis, Chairman
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, Suite 210
Washington, DC 20001

Re: BZA Application No. 16915
Barbara Schriever Allan – 2828 Hurst Terrace, NW

Dear Chairman Griffis and Members of the Board:

It has come to my attention that Barbara Allan's renewal application for her school has become controversial. So I must write in support of her program to continue operation in the field of child development at the current Northwest location.

I believe everyone in that neighborhood young through retirement should take a step back and think about how important the development of our children are. The history of Barbara's program is unmatched in Northwest Washington. The reason that this school is a feeder to the best private elementary schools in Washington is because Barbara and her associates create an outstanding foundation for our kids.

I would like to make two points:

- We should all be able to handle some minor inconvenience if the end result is the betterment of our future generations.
- Please ask the neighbors to turn on our wonderful C.N.N. and they will understand how important it is to protect and educate our most important asset (our children). That especially in these turbulent times that we place our children in the proper care, a safe environment and under the correct leadership.

Barbara's Development Center has provided not only an invaluable service to our community for 18 years but is responsible for creating a framework of life for so many young children. I know this first hand.

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Our family supports this application to transfer the school to Christine Lonergan and I hope everyone will please have their priorities in place when they make this decision.

Sincerely,



Thomas T. Wallace
President