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The Honorable Geoffrey Griffis, Chairperson
The Honorable Members
Board of Zoning Adjustment
Government of the District of Columbia
One Judiciary Square – Suite 210 South
441 Fourth Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

Re: **BZA 16970 – Establishment of Residential Permit Parking Program within the 3300 Block of Highland Place, NW and the Application of the National Child Research Center**, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3104.1, for special exception approval to continue an existing child development center (last approved by BZA Order No. 16307) with morning and afternoon programs for 120 children at any one time, ages 2 ½ - 5 years and 38 FTE staff on all floors of the existing and proposed buildings on the site and for new construction of an addition and new building pursuant to § 205; and pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3103.2, for variance relief from § 3202.3, in order to allow the construction of an additional principal structure and the use of an additional principal structure, such that more than one principal structure will exist on a record lot and for relief from § 2100.6 which requires the provision of parking spaces for the proposed additional principal structure on the NCRC property, in an R-1-B District at premises 3209 Highland Place, NW (Square 2072, Lot 30 (855 & 866).

Dear Mr. Griffis and Members of the Board:

Enclosed please find a copy of an undated letter distributed to residents of the 3300 block of Highland Place, NW on Tuesday, October 21 by staff of the District's Department of Transportation. The letter announces that the District Government has accepted the petition of residents of that block, myself included, to include it in the larger, Ward 3 portion of the District's Residential Permit Parking Program ("RPPP"). This program will become effective on our block November 20, 2003.

The 3300 block of Highland is located one block west of the Applicant's site. It is a narrow right of way (with no sidewalks) restricted to east-bound traffic from Reno Road/34th Street to 33rd Place, NW; it presently allows parking along its southern side. The 3100-3200 block of Highland is somewhat wider (with *some very narrow* sidewalks) and continues in an easterly direction from 33rd Place past the Applicant's site toward Ashley Place, NW where it turns south until it intersects with

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Newark Street, NW, where Highland Place ends. The 3100-3200 block of Highland Place presently allows two-way traffic with parking along its north side (westbound) subject to specific daily rules and restrictions, including pre-existing RPPP limits.

When implemented and enforced, the RPPP will end currently unrestricted all-day parking by commuters, including staff of the National Child Research Center, unless those commuters reside elsewhere in Ward 3 in an area that is already participating in RPPP and they have secured the corresponding permits for their vehicles. When RPPP is operating, those of us along the 3300 block of Highland Place, NW expect it will "open up" a few parking spaces for area residents and short-term visitors to our area, including NCRC. It will also afford residents of the 3300 block the opportunity to park all day on area streets when the 3300 block itself has no parking spaces available – an option that was not, until now, available to us in periods of peak parking demand.

This change affects the facts as arrayed thus far in the case by the Applicant and may affect the conclusions that traffic experts reach about parking and traffic.

Thank you for your consideration of the above.

Sincerely,

Lindsley Williams

Enclosure

cc: National Child Research Center
Office of Planning
Office of Policies and Plans, DC Department of Transportation

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

TRAFFIC SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Dear Resident:

I am pleased to inform you that, as a result of your petition, your block has been approved as part of the Residential Permit Parking Program. This program was designed to allow residents more convenient access to their homes by restricting commuters from parking all day on residential streets. The restrictions will become effective November 20, 2003.

You will be exempt from the parking restrictions after obtaining a residential sticker for your vehicle. The instructions on the reverse side of this letter explain how residents may secure their stickers.

I am confident that this program will reduce traffic congestion, illegal parking and air pollution in your neighborhood and thus alleviate many of the inconveniences that you have experienced from commuter parking over the years.

Sincerely yours,

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING
PERMIT ISSUANCE PROCEDURES

No vehicle may park longer than two hours in a Residential Permit Parking (RPP) zone unless a valid RPP permit is properly displayed.

TO OBTAIN A PERMIT:

- You must be a resident of an approved block.
- You must have a current, valid registration or reciprocity Permit for each vehicle and show proof of vehicle insurance.
- You must submit a completed application (or provide equivalent information on a blank sheet of paper) in person to a DMV office.
- Residential parking permits are $15.00 per vehicle, per year. Checks or money orders should be made payable to the D.C. Treasurer.
- Proof of residency, i.e., executed lease, utility bill bearing applicant's name and address, deed or settlement sheet.
- If the applicant does not own the vehicle, e.g., leased vehicles, company cars, etc., then additional documentation will be required.
- Commercial vehicles are not eligible to receive RPP permits.
- The Metropolitan Police Department District Station in each Ward issues visitor permits for periods up to fifteen (15) days.

Permits may be issued for a period of two years or less, expiring with the vehicle registration. Residents are responsible for renewing their permits without receiving further notice of expirations.

For further information, call 727-5000.

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  301 C Street, NW Room 1157
  Monday-Friday, 8:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
  Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

- **PENN BRANCH SERVICE CENTER**
  3214 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE
  Monday-Friday, 8:15 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- **THE MALL AT GEORGETOWN PARK**
  3222 M Street, NW
  Monday-Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
  Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- **BRENTWOOD SQUARE**
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