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

RE: Case #: 17022

Dear Chairman Griffis:

I am writing to ask your support of Edmund Burke School's application to expand its facilities that is to be heard by the BZA on July 15, 2003.

Burke has made many changes over the past year to be responsive to the concerns of the DDOT, the ANC and the school's neighbors that resulted in the rejection of Burke's application last year by the BZA.

From our presenters, you will hear about our traffic plans, proven to reduce congestion in the area, and the new building and parking will alleviate traffic even more. You will also learn about our plans to reduce enrollment growth and our efforts to communicate and work with our neighbors.

Burke has been a valuable city institution for over 30 years. With thousands of families relying on private education and demand for these schools increasing, urban private schools like Burke need to be able to renovate and modernize in order to sustain quality educational services. Burke's expansion plans are modest, reasonable and responsive to the neighborhood.

Please support Edmund Burke School's application #17022.

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Sincerely,

Gilbert B. Kaplan

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