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Leadership, Empowerment, and Development for Youth and Families

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Re: Application For Special Exception – 1323 Girard Street, N.W. (respectively Square 2855, Lot 828)

Dear Mr. Von Salzen and Ms. Sikorski,

Asian American LEAD ("AALEAD") hereby authorizes you, and the law firm of Hogan & Hartson L.L.P., to act as AALEAD's agent in connection with the above-referenced application, and to receive all notices, execute any documents, and do any other acts necessary or convenient to the furtherance of the application, on behalf of AALEAD.

Very truly yours,

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