COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
THE JOHN A. WILSON BUILDING
1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004

July 12, 2004

Ms. Jerrily R. Kress, Director
District of Columbia Office of Zoning
441 4th Street NW, Suite 210 South
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Ms. Kress:

I would like to take this opportunity to share with you the strong commitment I have for locating a new playground in Ward Eight. As the elected representative for the area, my mission is to ensure that our youth are provided with quality leisure services. The proposed Victory Youth Center is consistent with the vision I have for my community's future recreational requirements.

As you may know, Ward Eight has the highest number of female-headed households in the District and 52 percent of our children live in poverty. This project will make a major contribution to the Ward by providing our youth with structured activities. If you would share this letter with the members of the Zoning Commission, or otherwise inform them of my support of this venture, I would be most appreciative.

As Chairperson of the Council of the District of Columbia Human Services Committee and a fourth generation Washingtonian, I remain genuinely dedicated to improving our recreational opportunities. I believe that this project accomplishes that goal. Should you have any questions or if I may be of any additional assistance please do not hesitate to contact David Anthony, my Chief of Staff, on (202) 724-8045.

Sincerely,

Sandra C. "Sandy" Allen
Councilmember - Ward Eight

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