Before the Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia

In the matter of	:	
The Roman Catholic Archbishop	:	
of Washington	:	
(St. Thomas More Parish)	:	Application No. _____
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Applicant	:	

STATEMENT OF EXISTING AND INTENDED USES

The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Washington (the "Archdiocese") owns and operates the St. Thomas More Church and School located at 4275 4th Street, S.E. (the "Property"). The church was built on the Property in 1951; the school was built in 1957. The campus consists of a 500-seat church, a school with capacity for 500 students, a rectory, a former rectory, a garage, and a storage facility. The Property is located in the R-5-A District.

The Archdiocese, in conjunction with Victory Youth Centers, Inc., requests approval to construct a gymnasium/youth center for use by the church and school, as well as by the citizens of the surrounding area. The church and school anticipate using the youth center for recreational purposes and meeting space. When not in use by the church or school, the youth center will provide an essential venue to enhance the recreational, educational and social experiences of the area's at-risk youth by providing a safe and supportive environment in which to nurture healthy socialization skills through sports, arts, music and other organized youth programs. During approved youth activities, area high school-aged youth may be employed, on a part-time basis, to monitor the youth center and, possibly, to sell concessions during league and tournament events.

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