DARRELL GREEN
Youth Life FOUNDATION

Creating Doorways of Opportunity for Children

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Government of the District of Columbia
Director Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, N.W. Ste. 210-S
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Director:

I am writing you in request for a hearing to grant a special exception for the requested certificate of occupancy for the Darrell Green Youth Life Foundation Learning Center at the William C. Smith & Co., Inc. property located at square 5871, Lot 147 2629 Douglass Place S.E. Washington, D.C. 20001.

Subsection 3104.1:

Pursuant to authority contained in the Zoning Act, the Board is authorized to grant special exceptions, as provided in this Title, where, in the judgment of the Board, those special exceptions will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Maps and will not tend to affect adversely the use of neighboring property in accordance with the Zoning Regulations and Maps, subject in each case to the special conditions specified in Title 11 DCMR.

Section 205- granting a special exception will be in harmony with the general purposes and intent of the Zoning Regulations because the Darrell Green Learning Center at Washington View apartments will not tend to adversely affect the use of neighboring properties, because of noise, traffic, number of students, or other conditions. Our students will utilize their own entrance into the facility adjacent to the rental office and away from other apartments. We would limit the maximum number of students to 45-50, with three accompanying staff persons. There is ample parking available for the staff and visitors. There are no transportation impacts for students since most will walk to the facility. There is an adjacent parking lot so there will be no concerns for adverse contact of the students with vehicle traffic.

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Furthermore, because we would access the building from a side entrance the residents won't be disturbed when children come and leave the center. The children will assist in keeping the outside of the center clean. Management is responsible for keeping the grounds of the apartment complex clean. There are designated play areas for the children which would facilitate play and exercise activities in that controlled environment during the hours of the center's operation. Participation in the program will be limited to the residents of the Washington View Apartments.

Please consider our application based upon the facts and information presented in our finding. Thank for your consideration in this matter.
Sincerely Yours,

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