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In re: 17342; Aidan Montessori

Board of Zoning Adjustment
One Judiciary Square
441 4th Street, NW; Suite 210S
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Members:

It has come to my attention that the Aidan Montessori School (hereinafter the School) has requested deferment of the Hearing, scheduled for 1:00 PM on July 26th, of their petition to limit their maximum enrollment to180 students.

I respectfully urge that you deny that request.

Under the terms of a signed 1995 agreement with the Woodley Park community and ANC 3C, the School was to have come before you with this petition no later than 1998. The School has therefore been out of compliance with its agreement with the community for the past six years.

The asserted reason for further delay is that the School is presently engaged in negotiations with ANC 3C regarding a temporary two-year waiver of the 180 student enrollment cap, and that – pending conclusion of that agreement, which ANC 3C would then ask you to approve – the School would be out of compliance. To the best of my knowledge, ANC 3C has not considered this request for a deferment and has not endorsed it.

Given that the School has been out of compliance with its agreement with ANC 3C and the Woodley Park community for these past six years, and will continue to be out of compliance until you hear its petition, the request for further delay is both disingenuous and unpersuasive.

I am sending this to you by email today for your consideration, and will bring a signed copy before the meeting tomorrow.

Sincerely,

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