

August 30, 2005

Office of Zoning
Board of Zoning and Adjustment
Government of the District of Columbia
441 4th Street, NW
Suite 210 South
Washington, DC 20001

RE: Application Number 17383

To Whom It May Concern:

We are writing in regard to the above referenced application of The Lab School of Washington for special exceptions to permit an increase in faculty and staff from 94 to 190 and student enrollment from 310 to 330.

We moved to 4764 Reservoir Road, NW in November of last year. We thoroughly enjoy our neighborhood and our neighbors. In general, the Lab School has been a good neighbor; however, in the short amount of time we have lived in our home, we have encountered some issues directly related to our proximity to the Lab School that we believe would be further exacerbated should the special exception permit be granted.

On a few occasions, we have found parents illegally parked in the morning while dropping their children at school, blocking our driveway when we have tried to leave for work. This problem, which also exists in the afternoon, has caused us to be late to work on a few occasions when we had to wait for the parent to return to their automobile. Further, we have also noticed a significant increase during the school year of individuals parked without permits and/or D.C. plates in front of our house all day, forcing us and nearby residents to park some distance away from our homes. As D.C. taxpayers who pay to register our cars in the District, thereby granting us street parking privileges, we are concerned that an increase in staff and enrollment at the Lab School would further complicate the traffic, congestion and parking issues that already exist on a major intersection.

These problems may be commonplace in other parts of the city, but we specifically chose to move to this neighborhood because we very much wanted to live in

BZA

Case No. 17383
Exhibit No. 21

Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
CASE NO. 17383
EXHIBIT NO. 21

the District, but did not want to deal with the issues that come with living in an area with a higher population density. We strongly believe that granting the special permit would endanger the quiet nature of the neighborhood that we so value and appreciate.

While we understand the needs of the growing school, we regretfully must oppose the application for the reasons stated above. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this matter and we urge the Office of Zoning to carefully consider our concerns when evaluating the Lab School application.

We appreciate your consideration.

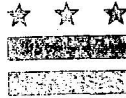
Sincerely,


Katie Hanvey
(202) 371-6835 (work)


Brendan Reilly
(202) 349-2285 (work)

4764 Reservoir Road, NW
Washington, DC 20007-1905
(202) 333-4074

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT



AUG 25 2005

APPLICATION NUMBER 17383

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Zoning Adjustment will hold a public hearing in Suite 220 South, 441 4th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20001 on Tuesday, November 22, 2005. Your attention is invited to the following application:

Application of The Lab School of Washington, pursuant to 11 DCMR § 3104.1, for special exceptions to permit an increase in faculty and staff to from 94 to 190, and an increase in student enrollment from 310 to 330, at 4759 Reservoir Road, N.W. and to permit the use of 4749 Whitehaven Parkway for administrative offices under section 206, and for accessory parking spaces for an existing private school under section 214, in the R-1-B District at premises 4749 Whitehaven Parkway, N.W. and 4759 Reservoir Road, N.W. (Square 1372, Lot 25 and Square 1374, Lot 840).

At the public hearing, all interested persons will be given an opportunity to express their views. However, you may submit written views about this case. All written views should be sent to the address below, and must be received by the Board before the hearing on the case is concluded. Individuals and organizations wishing party status in any case before the Board must request that status in writing not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the date set for the public hearing on the particular application. The request for party status must contain all the information required by 11 DCMR § 3106.2. Section 3106 is enclosed for your information.

This application is located within the boundaries of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 3D. This application will be heard between 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

If you have any questions about this application, you may call the Office of Zoning on (202) 727-6311, or visit the office at 441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 210 South, Washington, D.C. 20001.

PLEASE REFER TO THE APPLICATION NUMBER WHEN YOU WRITE OR CALL ABOUT THIS CASE.

SINCERELY,


JERRILY R. KRESS, FAIA
Director

(SEE REVERSED SIDE)