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July 2, 2019

Board of Zoning Adjustment  
441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 200S  
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: 3423 Holmead Place, N.W.  
Square 2834, Lot 163

Dear Board Members:

I am writing to express support for the private school use proposed by Studio Acting Conservatory. The arts enrich our communities, and I enthusiastically support efforts of local theater groups like the Studio Acting Conservancy to create spaces for workshops and class instruction.

The proposed location in Columbia Heights is ideal. It will be sited near numerous public transportation options, making it easily accessible without reliance on cars. At the same time, the private school is not open to the public and does not hold performances open to the general public, so it will not create objectionable conditions for the surrounding neighborhood.

I urge the Board of Zoning Adjustment to approve the proposal by Studio Acting Conservatory to operate in this new location.

Sincerely,

David Grosso  
At-Large Councilmember  
Chairperson, Committee on Education  
Council of the District of Columbia

Board of Zoning Adjustment  
District of Columbia  
CASE NO.20083  
EXHIBIT NO.36B





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June 10, 2019\

Board of Zoning Adjustment  
for the District of Columbia  
441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 200S  
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: 3423 Holmead Place, N.W.  
Square 2834, Lot 163

Dear Board Members:

I write to express support for the private school use proposed by Studio Acting Conservatory. The arts bring vibrancy and enrichment to our community and we enthusiastically support the efforts of local theater groups like the Studio Acting Conservancy in creating a new home for workshop and class instruction. We believe the presence of the Studio Acting Conservatory in Columbia Heights, near GALA Hispanic Theatre and the Dance Institute of Washington, will further stimulate the development of an arts corridor in our neighborhood, enriching the lives and experiences of the residents.

The proposed location in Columbia Heights is ideal for a private theater school. It will be sited near numerous public transportation options making the easily accessible for a private school with small class sizes. The private school is not open to the public and does not hold performances open to the general public, so the private school will not create objectionable conditions for the surrounding neighborhood.

I urge the Board of Zoning Adjustment to approve the proposal by Studio Acting Conservatory to operate in this new location.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rebecca Medrano".

Rebecca Medrano  
Executive Director

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July 1, 2019

Board of Zoning Adjustment for the District of Columbia

441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 200S

Washington, D.C. 20001

**Re: Letter of Support for Studio Acting Conservatory**

3423 Holmead Place, N.W.

Square 2834, Lot 163

Dear Board Members:

I write to express strong support for the private school use proposed by Studio Acting Conservatory. The arts bring vibrancy and enrichment to our community and we enthusiastically support the efforts of local theater groups like the Studio Acting Conservancy in creating a new home for workshop and class instruction.

The proposed location in Columbia Heights is ideal for a private theater school. It will be sited near numerous public transportation options making them easily accessible for a private school with small class sizes. The private school is not open to the public and does not hold performances open to the general public, so the private school will not create objectionable conditions for the surrounding neighborhood.

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Sincerely,

Kahina A. Haynes

Executive Director

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I urge the Board of Zoning Adjustment to approve the proposal by Studio Acting Conservatory to operate in this new location.

Sincerely,



David Roodberg  
CEO and President



June 7th, 2019

Board of Zoning Adjustment  
for the District of Columbia  
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Sincerely,

Brianne Dornbush  
Executive Director  
District Bridges

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