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Dear Chairman Hill,

I am writing to respectfully request that you deny the River School's application for a special exemption and that you support ANC3e who voted to oppose the application on October 14, 2021.

I live on 4305 Warren Street NW, Washington DC 20016:

The following are the primary issues for me:

1. Safety: I am personally worried about the safety for residents like me in Ward 3, who walk the quiet streets multiple times to run errands, meet neighbors, do our daily exercise and runs. Increasing the number of cars, SUVs will make it unsafe for local residents to walk and run during all times of the morning, afternoon and evenings. Undue honking, aggression from drivers, over busy streets prioritizing the needs of parents and

children from all over the DC metro area over local residents , will most likely increase accidents involving potentially pedestrians and children playing outside. Ultimately this experience will impact and nullify the very reason we chose to live in our neighborhood in the city over many other congested and ill- managed neighborhoods downtown and in other parts of DC.

2. Traffic: The expected increase from traffic surge would impact the local streets of Tenleytown, including the ones we have lived on for several years with many cars from outside Ward 3 areas, queuing up on intersections, leaving less to no space for the local residents, and our families and our transportation needs. Since River School is not a local school, many students and their families coming from outside of Ward 3, with their multiple cars from Maryland and Virginia and other parts of DC, would directly contribute to an increase in unacceptable levels of traffic in the area, impacting our quality of life, and our own transportation experience. With no planning for alternative transportation and lack of consequences for non- compliance, it is a situation ripe for a disastrous experience for local residents of Tenleytown and Ward 3.

Kind regards,

Swati Singh