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Board of Zoning Adjustment
DC Office of Zoning
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Re: BZA Application No. 20472: The River School

Dear ANC3E commissioners,

We have always believed in a world of inclusiveness and a greater sense of community involvement. The River School exudes both of those qualities, and to take that away from Washington, DC would be a detriment to all. The River School is not only a household name in the DC area, but around the country. They are able to do something remarkable for our youngest generation, and assist the pediatric patients with something that most people take for granted on a daily basis - the gift of hearing.

Living in a major metropolitan city, traffic anywhere on any given day is going to be inevitable. For those who believe that taking away access to this great school would alleviate some of the traffic issues are clearly misguided. Please do not let something that is a given – traffic - in a major city create a negative effect on the dear children and patients at The River School. Ultimately, it will not be those opposing this project who will suffer most, it will be the children who rely on the care provided at The River School. Their lives will be forever changed if greater access to the school is taken away.

Thank you for taking the time to read and review this letter of support for The River School's new campus proposal. We understand the challenges each of you face on a daily basis, and truly appreciate all that you do for our community and greater Washington, DC area.

Respectfully,

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