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Dear Mr. Hill,

I hope this email finds you well.

I wanted to write to express my support for the project that Maret School is proposing for the field at ECC. I am a longtime resident of Chevy Chase DC and also a longtime parent at Maret. From those perspectives, I can say two things: (1) It would be great to see the ECC property actually used in a way that benefits the overall community and, in particular, children. It's a beautiful and easily-accessible location, and the proposed plan shows that it can be adapted for sports use with minimal impact on the land or the surrounding area. (2) I can say with the utmost confidence that Maret is a wonderful neighbor and community member. Maret is a very small school, and the proposed use of the ECC field will not somehow transform the area into a massive sports destination, as some have suggested. Due to the size of the school, the teams are typically relatively small, and so the number of attendees at Maret games is similarly modest when compared to much larger schools.

I think the proposed project is a "win-win" for the community and for Maret, and I would be happy to discuss the proposal at any time.

Best regards, Kevin Hardy 3395 Stephenson PL NW Washington, DC 20015 kevin@hardyfamily.me

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