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Subject: FW: BZA Application No. 20643: Maret School Athletic Fields Project

Re: BZA Application no. 20643: Maret School Athletic Fields Project

From: Thomas Manion AIA , Architect

ECC Board "Building & Grounds"

Letter in Support of BZA Application 20643

Dear Board of Zoning Appeals & ANC Commissioners,

As a member of the Episcopal Center for Children Board I wish to express my full support of this application.

I am a Registered Architect and ECC Board member assigned to Building and Grounds.

This cooperation between Maret School and the ECC will be beneficial to both institutions.

Both financially and in terms of continued operations, it fosters ECC and Maret's ability to provide full services.

My experience at ECC started in the 1980s when my firm renovated the original ECC Main Building attic area into a new usable space..

This expansion provided more special needs individual and family support services

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The project won an Award & was dedicated by Barbara Bush, wife of then Vice President George Bush.

When elected to be an ECC Board Member I also directed Renovations to the ECC buildings.

On the grounds we preserved the Historic Circle of Oaks, added landscaping with other memorials.

We added the Administration addition to the main building and the award winning Alan Korz Media Center.

This last building is slated to become the Field House complete with locker rooms, bathrooms, etc. for Maret Athletic Fields.

This combination of services and facilities is an excellent example of repurposing & cooperative usage.

I am familiar & versed on the additions and changes the Maret Fields will bring to ECC and their grounds.

This creation of athletic facilities will benefit many different teams & groups including the ECC & the neighborhood.

It is my professional opinion this Application brings value to all parties.

I am without reservation in supporting this BZA Application 20643.

We hope the Commissioners and ANC Board will approve this Project.

Respectfully submitted by,
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