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Dear Chairman Hill,

My name is Robin McQueen, and as a Ward 4 resident and parent, I am in full support of the Maret Fields project at the Episcopal Center for Children.

This project will benefit the local community and DC students. Having open space in a neighborhood is an asset that all should appreciate. Rather than a negative impact, the sounds of children playing adds life and vitality to a community.

Maret's plan to expand the use of its fields beyond its own students is a direction that should be endorsed by the DC government. The city needs more athletic fields and baseball diamonds to support the youth athletic organizations that are a vital part of Washington and make the city so attractive to families.

Maret has made many concessions in its planning to minimize neighbor impact. They have worked with experts and city agencies to implement important traffic and safety measures. They have a proven record of being a good neighbor and partner with the city. The ECC neighbors are fortunate to have such a wonderful prospect for the development of that property.

I urge you to approve Maret's plan and keep the fields accessible to the wider community.

Sincerely,
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