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Subject: SUPPORT for BZA Case No. 21230

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Dear all,

Please see the letter below from LaShada Ham-Campbell (in cc).

Thank you,

Jessica Hart

February 2, 2025

VIA EMAIL

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Re: BZA Case No. 21230 – Application for a Special Exception and Area Variance Relief for 1110 Hamlin Street NE – Letter in Support

Dear Chairperson Hill and Members of the Board:

My name is LaShada Ham-Campbell, and I am the owner of both the property and long standing business that is very close to the property that is the subject of this application for special exception and area variance relief. I

own Petit Scholars at 2940 12th Street NE, opposite the property in question. We serve over 20 local families by providing excellent early child care. This location also employs 10 teachers. Petit Scholars also had to receive special exception to open its doors in 2012. I recognize the limitations of parking in the immediate area, however there is a bus line at the corner. There is available parking for non-residents during business hours and the location is also within a half a mile of two METRO stations: Rhode Island Ave and Brookland.

I am writing in **support** of the application.

The proposed project will be a welcome addition to the neighborhood. I believe that the Washington Area Bicyclist Association's (WABA) presence will benefit the neighborhood in multiple ways: more people active in the neighborhood during the day will enhance safety and increase the customer base for local businesses – and will do so without increased car traffic or demand for car parking. In addition, WABA's presence at 1110 Hamlin Street NE will only increase the importance of an all-way stop at 12th and Hamlin, which DDOT has opposed to-date. With a nonprofit's staff and visitors, a popular restaurant's customers, and a community of our youngest residents using the intersection daily, this change to 1110 Hamlin Street NE also has the potential to improve street safety in its immediate area. I therefore ask the Board to consider my support and approve this application.

I am happy to answer any questions regarding this support.

Sincerely,

LaShada Ham-Campbell