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February 6, 2018 Zoning Commission 441 4th Street, NW Suite 200S Washington, DC 20001

Re: Supports for Zoning Commission Case No. 17-20

Dear Members of the Commission:

I am writing in support of the proposed text amendment known as Zoning Commission Case No. 17-20. I am a parent young children in DC and have had firsthand experience with the difficulty of finding convenient, quality, and affordable childcare. Petit Scholars has provided both childcare and summer programs for my children it is an invaluable resource to the community.

I am familiar with the cost and the affect that zoning restrictions have on childcare centers and the working parents that rely on them. These difficulties have a ripple effect to local businesses and workplaces that employ the affected parents. Child care programs should not be impacted by additional hurdles such as unnecessary regulations when the Office of the State Superintendent ultimately has oversight over them and will ensure the requirements for space.

The process delays openings and is also a financially taxing process as it directly impacts the ability for programs to be successful. I urge the Commission to expeditiously approve the proposed corrections and reinstate the permitted use for childcare centers.

Sincerely, Clarence Campbell