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Sent: Tuesday, February 6, 2018 3:37 PM **To:** DCOZ - ZC Submissions (DCOZ)

Subject: Support for 17-20

February 6, 2018

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

Re: Support 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. As a parent of a young child in DC, I have had firsthand experience with the difficulty of finding convenient, quality, and affordable childcare.

Also, I am familiar with the affect that zoning restrictions have on childcare centers and the working parents that rely on them. I was lucky enough to be enrolled at Petit Scholars in NE DC. But when time came to move to their new RIA campus, they were hit with delay after delay, for regulations and restrictions that had nothing to do with the service they provide or the safety of my child. Many families were put in terrible situations, having to find emergency care at the last minute. These difficulties have a ripple effect to local businesses and workplaces that employ the affected parents.

I therefore urge the Commission to expeditiously approve the proposed corrections and reinstate the permitted use for childcare centers.

Sincerely,

Daniella Gibbs Leger Mom to a toddler at Petit Scholars RIA Campus Monroe St, NE 20018 Fomer Vice Chair, Rhode Island Avenue Main Street