



May 9, 2025

Mr. Anthony J. Hood, Chairman
D.C. Zoning Commission
One Judiciary Square
441 4th Street, N.W., Second Floor
Washington, D.C. 20001

RE: Zoning Commission Case No. 23-08(1)
Application of The Wesley Theological Seminary of the United Methodist Church
for a Campus Plan (2025-2035)

Dear Mr. Hood,

Blessings to you this day! I am writing you with the hopes that the Zoning Commission will approve the above application from Wesley Theological Seminary. It is vital to the school's future abilities to be a major partner in the education and training of leaders serving institutions, communities and people in the Washington metropolitan area, nationally, and globally for years to come.

I am a year 2000 graduate of the Doctor of Ministry program at Wesley and a current adjunct professor there. I know first-hand what a vital academic institution and community partner the seminary is to Washington, D.C. and the DMV as a whole. And, as a graduate of The American University next store, I also know how much these institutions mean to the Spring Valley and Ward 3 community specifically.

The efforts outlined in the application put forth will allow Wesley to continue to provide top-flight theological education from D.C and Spring Valley -- in a community which offers a tremendous environment for learning, formation, and service. To be able to do this at a time where there is renewed interest in religion, particularly amongst young people, is critical.

As I'm sure you know, Wesley has been dedicated to this project for a long time, working diligently for its approval. The seminary's surrounding community has shown great support for it. My hope is that the application can be approved as a strong statement to the city's embrace and support of theological education in D.C.

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Thank you for your consideration. I am grateful for your strong, committed leadership as sound and effective zoning are vital for every city and community. May God bless you always!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph W. Daniels, Jr.", with a stylized, flowing script.

Joseph W. Daniels, Jr.
Lead Pastor