



CAITLIN'S PLACE

April 14, 2025

Tanya Torres Trice
Interim Director
Child and Family Services Agency
200 I Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

Re: Zoning Case 24-19 (Text Amendment to Subtitle B, Section 100.2, definition of Youth Residential Care Home to include foster children up to age 20)

Dear Interim Director Trice:

Maximum Quest Residential Care supports The District of Columbia's Child and Family Services Agency's (CFS) petition to amend the zoning definition of a youth residential care facility to include foster children who are under the age of 21.

As a current Group Home Provider in the community, we focus on the needs of foster youth in transition from adolescence to adulthood with comprehensive integrated services that help them achieve self-sufficiency as they take a significant role in planning their future. We teach goal setting, self-advocacy and independent living skills in a safe and nurturing environment.

It is our hope that the Zoning Commission for The District of Columbia will align with District law and allow group homes for foster care to continue serving foster youth up to the age of 21.

Kindly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gretchen Glass Lewis".

Gretchen Glass Lewis, MSW
Executive Director