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

Subject: Letter of Support for Cedar Tree Academy Public Charter School's Application for Design Review in the NHR Zone

Dear Members of the Zoning Commission,

On behalf of the Congress Heights Community Development Corporation (CHCTDC), I am writing to express our strong support for Cedar Tree Academy Public Charter School's application for Design Review in the NHR Zone to replace its existing school with a new, state-of-the-art preschool and elementary school facility.

For nearly 25 years, Cedar Tree Academy has been a vital pillar of our community, providing high-quality education to young learners and fostering a strong foundation for lifelong success. This project represents a transformative opportunity not only for the students and families served by Cedar Tree Academy but also for the broader Congress Heights and Anacostia communities, and the city at large.

The proposed new facility will significantly enhance the school's capacity to meet growing demand while integrating critical amenities that align with the needs of 21st-century learning. Features such as advanced technology, flexible learning spaces, and enhanced recreational facilities will create an environment where students can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

Furthermore, the project exemplifies a commitment to sustainable development and thoughtful urban design, both of which are crucial to the continued revitalization of our communities. The new school will not only serve as a beacon of educational excellence but also contribute to the community's overall growth and stability.

CHCTDC is fully committed to supporting Cedar Tree Academy throughout this process and beyond. We believe this initiative will make a lasting impact by providing our children with the tools they need to succeed while further strengthening the bonds of our community.

We respectfully urge the Zoning Commission to approve Cedar Tree Academy's application and look forward to celebrating the future groundbreaking of this essential project. Should you require additional information or wish to discuss this matter further, please feel free to contact me directly at 202-539-4810. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Campbell
Executive Director
Congress Heights Community Development Corporation



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