

November 25, 2025

Board of Directors  
Cedar Tree Academy PCS  
701 Howard Road SE  
Washington DC 20020

**Re: Letter of Support for Cedar Tree Academy PCS New School Development**

Dear Members of the Board,

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for Cedar Tree Academy's request to modify the approved Design Review Case No. 24-23 for the expansion of the charter school in the NHR Zone District and in Ward 8. I supported Design Review Case No. 24-23 and supported Design Review Case No. 24-23A. The modification to the plan involves the retention of the existing school and the construction of a new 3-story addition. As a proud member of this vibrant community for over 25 years, Cedar Tree Academy has consistently demonstrated an unwavering commitment to academic excellence and the holistic development of its students.

The school's impressive track record speaks volumes. Year after year, Cedar Tree has achieved high academic performance metrics. This success is a testament to the dedicated faculty, engaged families, and the resilient spirit of its students. The expansion will allow Cedar Tree to continue nurturing our young scholars, providing them with the quality education they deserve and further fostering a love for learning.

Moreover, the proposed design will enhance our community's educational landscape by providing a modern, safe, and inspiring environment for students. It will allow for the incorporation of innovative teaching practices and extracurricular activities that will benefit our children and strengthen the community ties that Cedar Tree Academy has cultivated over the years.

As we look toward the future, it is vital that we invest in our schools and ensure that they have the resources necessary to meet the needs of our growing population. I firmly believe that this expansion will not only benefit the students of Cedar Tree Academy but will also enrich Ward 8 as a whole, making it a beacon of educational excellence.

I wholeheartedly support Cedar Tree Academy's request and look forward to seeing the positive impact this expansion will have on our students and families.

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