

TO: ANC Commissioners

FR: Amy Dine, 1500 Farragut Street, NW

RE: #19581

I write as a neighbor who resides and works from home directly across the rear of the property. Since the property was not built to ever house a school it has no buffer between it and its neighbors. (It was designed as a retirement home – a quiet, residential neighbor!) Piney Brach Road is a slim road, not even as wide as my house, and this means that my bedroom and office windows are ten feet from the road's traffic, and then directly across from the space currently used as the school's playground, about 50 feet. I happily joined this neighborhood knowing we would live across from a small school.

Adding density to the current ~100 student population will be a big change to our neighborhood character from what was agreed when Kingsbury was granted permission to operate not long ago. My personal view is that any student body population number beyond what was originally granted to Kingsbury is not appropriate.

Kingsbury has occupied the property with a SPECIAL EXCEPTION. Our area has a special R-16 ZONING OVERLAY to LIMIT NON-RESIDENTIAL USE of properties in the area.

Therefore, if LAMB is granted the ability to operate, it should be required to adhere to what has been laid out in Exhibit #118 by CNDI-LA - at the very least - and to go back to the BZA to assess whether it has met these reasonable conditions before being allowed to grow, NOT GRANTED CARTE- BLANCHE to “notify neighbors” and rely on traffic patterns assessed in one day, nor to operate as an entity with more pull than the people who live around it and pay taxes and are to be represented by their elected officials!

Expectantly,

Amy Dine