



ANC 5E Commissioner Thomas, Chairperson
107 P Street NW
Washington, DC 20001

May 15, 2019

Dear Commissioner Thomas, et. al.,

The Bates Area Civic Association appreciates this opportunity to provide input on BZA Application Number 20018 of Mount Sinai Baptist Church and the Washington Literacy Center (the application). At its duly noticed meeting on May 6, 2019, the civic association members received a presentation by members of Mount Sinai Baptist Church, the Washington Literacy Center, and attorneys representing both. A discussion by members of the application followed the formal presentation.

Following the discussion and presentation, the association moved and voted unanimously to support the application. As such, the Bates Area Civic Association supports the application as presented and encourages the ANC to do the same.

Members of the association requested that Mount Sinai Baptist Church seek community input before leasing the space to a tenant other than the Washington Literacy Center. Representatives of the church agreed to seek community input in the event of a change in tenancy.

Respectfully,

Kyle Thomas
Bates Area Civic Association President