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7029 Winterberry Lane, Bethesda, Md. 20817

Re: Support for Holton-Arms School Special Exception Amendment: CBA-1174-E

Office of Zoning and Administrative Hearings
Council Office Building Room 200
100 Maryland Avenue,
Rockville, Md. 20850

Dear Hearing Examiner,

I am writing as the parent of a current Holton-Arms School student, with another daughter who will be attending in the future, to express my strong support for Holton-Arms School's request to amend its special exception.

Our family has experienced firsthand the extraordinary education Holton provides. The academic rigor, strong arts and athletic programs, and emphasis on developing confident young women are unparalleled. Expanding enrollment modestly will allow more young women to benefit from this kind of education and will help Holton continue to attract and retain excellent teachers while remaining competitive among independent schools in the region.

The request also includes flexibility for the school to rent its facilities to vetted organizations. I believe this is a positive step that will both maximize resources responsibly and create new opportunities for the broader community to access Holton's safe, high-quality spaces. This responsible use of facilities helps sustain the school's financial strength while extending its benefit beyond its own students.

As a nearby resident, I value having Holton in our community. The school maintains a beautiful campus, invests in being a good neighbor, and contributes positively to the character and stability of the area. It is a source of pride to live near a school with such a strong commitment to excellence and leadership for young women.

I also want to acknowledge the traffic concerns raised by some neighbors and believe Holton's suggested modifications will mitigate them.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to approve Holton-Arms School proposed amendment. It is a thoughtful, balanced request that will allow the school to continue providing exceptional opportunities for current and future students like my daughters, while maintaining its strong role in our community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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