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Office of Zoning and Administrative Hearings Montgomery County Government 100 Maryland Avenue, Room 200 Rockville, MD 20850

To Whom It May Concern,

We are the parents of two daycare-aged children living in Takoma Park writing in support of Sadia and Zeshan Naeem's conditional use application pending for a large daycare center (application number CU 24-12).

Our older child attended the Naeems' daycare from age 6 months until 2 years old, and our younger child is currently attending, since the age of 6 months. He is now 21 months old. At the time of searching for a daycare in our neighborhood, there were extremely limited options and very long waitlists. We were lucky to get spots at the Naeem's daycare, but the process of searching and waiting was very stressful. Our neighborhood in Takoma Park is dire need of more daycare openings.

One benefit of the Naeems' daycare is that it provides a warm, loving, and safe environment for the children. In addition, the employees have the skills and expertise to care for young infants, which is extremely important in this area as it is difficult to find infant openings. We are able to walk to the daycare, as it truly is in our neighborhood. Finally, the daycare offers a very affordable rate, as compared to many of the daycare centers in the area.

In our opinion, this area of Takoma Park is lacking in affordable daycare openings and would greatly benefit from an expanded daycare center. For this reason and the reasons stated above, we support your approval of the Naeems' application.

Sincerely,

Exhibit 16(b)

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