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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Zuzana Mendez. I am the previous tenant at 1217 Varela Street. I lived there for 11 1/2 years. During this time my experience with Montessori Children's School was only positive. I was never bothered by noises or parking issues. I also appreciated the fact that the school closed at 5:30 and was not open on the weekend. Because of these reasons we never had noisy neighbors at night and parking was ample in the afternoons and on the weekends.

I had a friendly relationship with the staff at the school and at times was invited to participate in school events.

When the owner of 1217 Varela Street, my landlord, listed the property for sale a year ago I had the opportunity to purchase it and declined. I decided to purchase a property on United Street instead. I was able to continue renting 1217 for several months after the school purchased it as well. I never at any time felt pushed out by the school.

I am in full support of the school expanding to include 1217 Varela. I feel they have been wonderful neighbors for many years. I appreciate that they maintain their school grounds so beautifully and take care to notify the neighbors when they may be having a weekend event or parent evening.

Sincerely,

Zuzana Mendez

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