



**NATIONAL
LANDING**

PENTAGON CITY

CRYSTAL CITY

POTOMAC YARD

October 14, 2021

Ms. Anika Chowdhury
Department of Community Planning, Housing & Development
2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 700
Arlington, VA 22201

Dear Ms. Chowdhury:

On behalf of the National Landing Business Improvement District (BID) and the collective business communities of Crystal City, Pentagon City, and Potomac Yard, I am writing to provide feedback in support of the site plan amendment and use permit application for an expanded child-care facility at 201 12th Street South.

High quality child-care facilities are a critical component in any downtown's business attraction efforts. Arlington Economic Development identified this need in its 2009 report, "Child Care in the Commercial Corridors" citing their importance in attracting businesses as well as the top talent they seek to employ. Additionally, this proposal would enable an existing National Landing child-care facility to continue to thrive, grow, and serve the families living and working within the National Landing area.

This site plan amendment and use permit renewal support long-standing County goals to attract and retain quality child-care facilities and further enhances National Landing's economic competitiveness. The BID enthusiastically supports both the site plan amendment and use permit application and looks forward to welcoming new families and students served by this facility.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Mandle
Deputy Executive Director

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