Cindy Kaplan 348 Dedham Street Newton, MA 02459

January 15, 2020

To whom it may concern:

My name is Cindy Kaplan and I live on Dedham Street directly across Beth Menachem Chabad. Beth Menachem Chabad are great neighbors and I am happy to be fortunate to live across the street from them.

I support them in their request for expanding the preschool. I am not concerned by any increase of traffic, I believe it will be minimal and they will do a fine job to manage it.

Sincerely,

Cindy Kaplan

Martin Levitan 293 Dedham Street Newton Highlands, MA 02461

January 16, 2020

To whom it may concern:

I am an abutter living several houses down Dedham Street from Beth Menachem Chabad. The Chabad community has served the many needs of this community for quite a few years. As it has grown there has been every effort made to maintain a light footprint and minimize any negative effects on the neighborhood. Beth Menachem Chabad is a great neighbor.

I support them in their request for expanding the preschool. The families who would benefit have been considerate of the neighbors and Chabad staff have made every effort to continue and encourage this behavior. I am not concerned by any increase of traffic, I believe it will be minimal and they will do a fine job to manage it. The impact of adding a few students to the preschool would be insignificant compared to the daily congestion and impact of Countryside Elementary traffic.

Please support this request for expansion of the Chabad preschool.

Sincerely,

Martin Levitan

Maya Buki Dabby 249 Winchester St. Newton, MA 02461

Newton City Council,

I am writing to express my support for the expansion of Beth Menachem Chabad of Newton and Jewish Creative Preschool (349 Dedham St.). We are not only parents to 2 boys that are enriched by Jewish Creative Preschool (JCP), but neighbors that live just around the corner. JCP and Chabad have been a beacon for our family since the day we moved to Newton and we know that their growth contributes greatly to the area.

Our oldest son Eli (4) started at JCP when we moved to the neighborhood in Sept. 2018. When our second son Adam was born in 2018, we searched high and low for a similar preschool that could accommodate an infant. First, there is no parallel daycare in the area. Their pedagogical approach (Reggio) has helped my eldest son blossom into a confident, nature loving and critical thinking young boy. The investment they make in the children and the genuine commitment to their growth is unmatched. I wanted the same for Adam. Unfortunately, JCP was not able to accommodate a 3 month old infant when I returned to work. Furthermore, other Jewish preschools (not a requirement, but place of comfort) in the area had a year-long wait list. We ended up placing Adam in home care for 6 months and then another factory-like daycare, until he was old enough to start at JCP. I can't even explain how much he has grown in the time he has been at JCP. Furthermore, as working parents, it was much easier for us to have both boys together. As our family grows, JCP will continue to be our family's 1st choice. Furthermore, as our children grow in Newton, attend and graduate from Newton Public Schools, and hopefully return (Jewish guilt) – we will be proud for JCP to continue to be a place of nurturing support for other families.

You will hear many similar stories about JCP. That is because good nurturing and developmental care for young children is rare and JCP is that AND MORE!

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter. Please do not hesitate to reach out if I can provide any additional information to support Beth Menachem Chabad's permit to grow this garden of a daycare.

Sincerely,

Maya Buki Dabby



Daycare

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Thu, Jan 9, 2020 at 12:17 PM

I'm writing with my support for the expansion of the daycare at Menachem Chabad.

I am a close neighbor and I have no issues with the current daycare practices.

Enlarging it shouldn't make much an impact as far as I can see.

The traffic in the area has been from construction and now that its mostly done so I see no reason to restrict them.

Thank you

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Sent via ChabadOne Communicator From: Barbara Wolberg < barbara@wolberg.net >

Date: Wed, Jan 8, 2020 at 9:49 AM

To: Rabbi Shalom Prus < rabbi@jewishnewton.com>

To Whom It May Concern:

We are residents of The Gables on Dedham Street and we understand that the Beth Menachem Chabad of Newton on Dedham Street is looking to expand their Pre-school and is applying for a Permit to allow them to construct additional classrooms to house the growing demand for their Pre-school.

Our granddaughter attended Pre-school at Beth Menachem Chabad from 2016-2019 and we could she could not have experienced a more loving, nurturing and creative experience and we welcome the expansion of the Pre-school which will allow many more children to experience the same.