



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**Department of Parks and Recreation**



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Mr. Ronald Lewis  
Chairman, ANC2E  
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RE: Jelleff Recreation Center

Chairman Lewis:

On behalf of the Department of Parks and Recreation ("DPR"), I want to thank you, the ANC commissioners and the greater Georgetown community for allowing us to present details about DPR's plans to make the Jelleff Recreation Center a first class community center.

Although we understand the ANC's position as stated in its resolution, we maintain that the agreement with The Maret School is a valid and binding contract and we intend to honor it. The Department of Parks and Recreation is committed to making the center a place the community is proud of and a location where schools and organizations have access to valuable services and activities. To that end, we have received assurances from The Maret School that they intend to cooperate with other schools and organizations in scheduling use of the facility and field so that frequent and meaningful use of these amenities is enjoyed by many.

DPR is excited that the center's pool and athletic field will receive major upgrades. These improvements will substantially increase the opportunities for public use of the facilities.

We note further that the District has recently released a Request for Proposals ("RFP") to find an excellent provider of academic and non-academic programming for youth at the center. DPR is committed to keeping regular programs aimed at youth, as were previously provided by the Boys and Girls Club. The successful contractor will help DPR keep high quality youth programs in place where the former club would unfortunately have not been able to do so. DPR encourages all eligible and interested parties to review the RFP and seriously consider working with DPR to facilitate great programming supporting our city's youth.

DPR would very much like to keep the lines of communication open as the center plans progress. To that end, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you or your fellow commissioners may have.

Very truly yours,



Jesús Aguirre  
Interim Director

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