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Subject: Comments Regarding PBDA Parking Lot - ZON-22-070 (COA-22-026) 241 SEAVIEW AVE
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Dear Mayor Moore, Council President Zeidman, President Pro-Tem Lindsay, and Council Members Araskog, Cooney, and Crampton,

I'm writing to support the application for a parking lot at 241 Seaview Ave. As the Director of Education for the Preservation Foundation of Palm Beach, I am very familiar with Palm Beach Day Academy and the current parking challenges. The Foundation has enjoyed a wonderful, longstanding partnership with PBDA for over 30 years. Every year, we teach our Heritage Education program to the 4th grade PBDA students. Students learn about the historical development of Palm Beach through the architectural styles on the island, and the program culminates with each student getting a chance to design their own dream house.

I am grateful that when I visit PBDA to teach, I am able to park in the small visitor parking area, as there are rarely any spaces available on Seaview Ave.

The situation with PBDA has changed over its many years in Palm Beach. Historically, many teachers lived on the Sea Streets and were able to walk to school. That is largely not the case anymore, and teachers need a reasonable place to park during the school day; either in a parking lot as proposed or with specific guaranteed permit parking. Teachers moving their car multiple times during the school day is disruptive to their students' education.

The proposal before you has made many adjustments over the past few months in order to address concerns expressed by the neighbors and the Foundation. The north wall is now proposed to be a masonry stucco wall which will better match the historic school, and prevent additional light, sound, and water drainage from affecting neighboring properties. Additionally, the gates visible from Seaview were adjusted to incorporate a design that better reflects the architecture of the school building. The proposal is both compatible and appropriate, given the needs of the school and the community that routinely uses Seaview Avenue to visit the Mandel Recreation Center and the local businesses.

Thank you all for your time and consideration.

Best wishes,

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