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PAUL R. LEVY
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RE: Albert M. Greenfield Elementary School Playground Project

To Whomever It Concerns,

This letter is submitted by Paul Levy, the Chief Executive of the Center City District (the "CCD") on behalf of the Alfred M. Greenfield Home and School Association (the "HSA") to announce CCD's support of the efforts of the HSA to raise funding to replace and redevelop Greenfield's playground equipment.

The CCD was founded with the express purpose of enhancing the vitality of Center City Philadelphia as a thriving 24-hour downtown and a great place to work, live, and have fun. In addition to managing the Center City business improvement district, the CCD is responsible for the management of four public parks - Dilworth, Sister Cities, John F. Collins and Crét Parks.

The Greenfield Elementary School is a K-8 public school that serves the many families who live in Center City Philadelphia. Highlighting Greenfield's importance to our shared community, the United States Department of Education's recent decision to award Greenfield Elementary a National Blue Ribbon that recognizes schools where students achieve at high levels or where the achievement gap is narrowing.

In addition to its record of academic excellence, the Greenfield Elementary School is the site of one of the few public playgrounds located in Center City Philadelphia. While the school's playground is used by Greenfield's students during school hours, the playground is extensively used by the general public when school is not in session. By revitalizing Greenfield's playground, the HSA's playground project will not only enhance their students' play, it will serve as a vibrant hub for our common community. Its presence will enrich everyone who lives or does business in Greenfield's immediate vicinity.

For this reason, the CCD submits this letter in support of the HSA's application for a grant of up to \$100,000 through the Department of Community & Economic Development's Keystone Communities Program. In addition, we invite all members of our community to consider supporting the HSA's efforts to redevelop Greenfield's playground.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Very truly yours,



Paul Levy
Chief Executive, Center City District