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Subject: At Waldorf School in Silicon Valley, Technology Can Wait

Hi Josh:

I am writing to you in full support of the Madrona School Conditional Use Permit. I am the father of two boys, grades 6 and 3 that attend Madrona School and have been students since kindergarten/1st grade. What I can tell you is that we are all enriched by the students, families and faculty of the Madrona School. The school provides a distinctive approach to learning and relating to one another, particularly in the high-tech, fast-paced world we live in, smart phone in hand.

I included a link for an article from the NYT that I hope you will take a moment to read to gain a better understanding of our community and the benefit of the Waldorf approach to learning.

http://nyti.ms/15NmmdM

The use permit is the critical next step to the future success of this wonderful, unique learning environment that helps make Bainbridge Island a great place to raise a family. That's why I live here and I'd like to be able to pass that along to others.

We will continue to be great neighbors, together let's make this work for the greater benefit of the island and help forge a path for a promising future.

Thanks for your consideration.

John Kist

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