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**Subject:** For Josh Machen: In support of the Madrona School's application for a Conditional Use Permit

Hello, Mr. Machen.

I am presently in Europe but am in continuing conversation with Madrona School's head, Missi Goss. I am familiar with the School's capabilities and aspirations and am pleased to submit this letter in support of the School's application for a Conditional Use Permit.

As the grandfather of a Waldorf fourth-grader in Portland, I am wholeheartedly enthusiastic about the Waldorf philosophy. For years I have been enormously impressed by the effectiveness with which the Madrona School brings this philosophy to Bainbridge Island and Kitsap County. If only such a school had existed when my brothers and I were growing up on Sunrise Drive!

I am also enthusiastic about the proposed campus as an "anchor" as Rolling Bay continues to develop as one of the Island's most dynamic and attractive neighborhood centers. In fact, with the Madrona School campus on the proposed site on Madison Avenue, Rolling Bay will have regional as well as intra-Island significance.

I am confident that such down-to-earth issues as traffic can be successfully addressed. Since the families served by the Madrona School come from all directions they will naturally access the campus via a variety of routes from the north, south and west. Concerns about adding congestion to the intersection of Madison Avenue and SR 305 can also be addressed by the "staging" of class-start times and the school's encouragement of car-pooling.

I look forward to following the application process from close up after my return to the Island in the second week of November.

With all best wishes,

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