



Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A
Single Member District 6A-02
815 F Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002



April 21, 2008

Eve Byford-Peterson, Principal
Prospect Learning Center
920 F Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002

Re: Friends of Sherwood Father's Day Event scheduled for June 19, 2005

Principal Byford-Peterson:

As the single member district Commissioner in Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A representing the community surrounding the Sherwood Recreation Center and Prospect Learning Center, I am requesting that any permit application submitted by Mr. Jordan Washington and/or the Friends of Sherwood for a 2008 Father's Day event be **denied**.

The past Father's Day events have brought unacceptable consequences to our community. When this event takes place each year, I receive dozens of calls from residents about the Father's Day event regarding loud noise, public drinking and large crowds congregating on the sidewalks surrounding both Sherwood and Prospect. In the past, when I called the recreation center management or school management, I am told that they are not responsible for activity on the sidewalk. Then when I called the Metropolitan Police Department, I am told there is no law against loitering.

The net effects of these past events have created a situation where dozens and dozens of loud and unruly participants undermine the peace and safety of the surrounding community. Given the lack of proactive engagement with the residents that live around the Sherwood Recreation Center for the upcoming Father's Day event, I can only conclude that the past again will be a prologue to the future.

In close, I request that Mr. Jordon Washington and/or the Friends of Sherwood not be permitted to conduct events at the Prospect Learning Center based on the fact these events are not well managed and directly impact the peace and safety of our community.

Regards,

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