



RUMSEY HALL SCHOOL

Dear Zoning Board of Appeals Commissioners:

We, at Rumsey Hall School, are writing to express our full support for The Frederick Gunn School's proposal to build the Center for Innovation and Active Citizenship, a sustainably designed replacement to their late-1960s Science Building. We understand that the current Science building is inadequate, inefficient, and undersized for their academic and student life needs—and has been for many years.

We've learned that the new building will host a large number of educational spaces, from high-tech classroom and laboratory spaces for its science, math, and engineering courses to its Center for Citizenship and Just Democracy and Entrepreneurship Program, far outpacing the current facilities. The Frederick Gunn School has gone to great lengths to design a new building that will be sustainable and use far less energy, supporting the school's overall commitment to decrease its environmental impact and to Mr. Gunn's love of the natural world.

As a fellow educational institution in Washington, Rumsey Hall School comprehends just how important these facilities are in staying competitive in the marketplace, but also the importance of acknowledging student and faculty needs and backing that up with significant investment in infrastructure. To that aim, we view the Center for Innovation and Active Citizenship as a positive addition not only to The Frederick Gunn School campus and community, but also to the Town of Washington.

Sincerely,

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Head of School