



STRONG PLACE DAY CARE CENTER, INC.

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To Whom It May Concern,

We are very concerned about the rezoning of 150 Mill Street in Red Hook, Brooklyn 11231.

Our school, Strong Place for Hope Day Care is connected to this lot which is proposing a 10 story office building be resurrected on the lot. We serve 108 children and families and this will create a safety concern for our students for many reasons- the building will cast a shadow across our rooftop playground, blocking out all the sunlight. Offices will look down over the schoolyard and the classrooms causing a privacy issue. Parking is already atrocious in this neighborhood and a 67,000 square foot office building will surely create an even more untenable parking nightmare. More traffic provides a safety hazard as the children enter and exit the building at drop off and pick up time as well as when the children venture outside for neighborhood trips. The use of the outside play space is important for our children who mostly live in the projects across the street and do not have ample outside play due to safety issues in those parks so our outside play space is integral to our program as it provides opportunity for gross motor activities, our outdoor planting, shadow play, etc. A building towering over our school will impact and interfere with our everyday programming. Our greatest concern is the safety for the children and how a monstrous building will impact them.

Thank you for hearing our concerns,

Maegan Sunshine

Educational Director