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## To Mayor and Council of Burnaby

I am writing to you in regards to an upcoming potential huge loss to the community - Puddle Jumpers Daycare, and before/after school care, unless help is given. Our family has been at Puddle Jumpers for the last 3 years. We felt like we won the jackpot when we found out we had a spot - childcare is so lacking in Burnaby and we felt immense relief knowing we would have our daughter nearby at an amazing, well established facility.

Covid has caused many changes in the world, including the apparent need for the church that currently houses the daycare to raise the rent. As a result they are looking for a new home. I understand that there are several barriers that may prevent this new location from being approved, and I am writing to you to urge you to assist Shawna Harrison and the Puddle Jumpers daycare in any way that you can to ensure that it remains open to serve the community.

If Puddle Jumpers were to close, over 50 local families would lose local and reputable childcare that is so scarce and valued these days. We have a new church that is willing to rent to the daycare, and a fabulous daycare owner who is trying hard to keep her daycare alive to serve the north Burnaby community; please help this plan come to fruition so that many families aren't left in the lurch back on the hunt for decent, reliable childcare.

Thank you

Annemarie Revell