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FW: Zoning change request for woods at 5003 Morse Road

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Windward Trace is a condominium community of 104 units, most of which are occupied by senior citizens with many of them being widows or widowers. For years they have enjoyed the peaceful and secure environment that Windward Trace provides. The records will show that there has been virtually no crime in our community at all.

Now you are being asked by a developer to permit him/her to build a community of apartments consisting of 251 units plus related amenities. On each end of that development is a retirement community to the East and a Memory Care home to the West, for people afflicted with alzheimers and/or other maladies. As you can imagine, placing a development such as the one being considered in this environment is going to have a serious, negative impact on all.

Many of these residents have been taxpayers and supporters of programs and projects that have made Gahanna an appealing place in which to live and retire. They now find themselves in need of your help in letting them live out their remaining years in the environment in which they have lived, some for 20 or more years.

If you cannot justify denying the application for whatever reason, we hope we can depend upon you to help us make our currently existing communities safe and attractive. There may be ways to do that, but our preference would be to retain the single family dwelling zone that was established by those originating that plan.

We look forward to our future discussions regarding this application.

Thank you for your consideration. I am Edwin Douglass, a 17 years resident of Gahanna.