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I live with my spouse in the neighborhood immediately adjacent to the Revolution Church. We are writing to oppose the variance requested by the church for a child care center and summer camp. We are very concerned about the effect that this will have on noise and traffic in an area that is zoned for single-family homes. We did not mind the church using the existing facility left from the YMCA, but a child care center and summer camp will drastically change usage and traffic from what it is currently.

We selected this location in part because of the relatively more quiet location compared with our last residence, and we would be very disappointed to lose that now when the zonation laws made us feel secure at the time we moved that the neighborhood would not see such changes. We are concerned in particular that noise will increase outside of standard business hours due to the nature of summer camps and after-school childcare. The local infrastructure is designed for the single-family homes that the area is zoned for, not for handling the volume of traffic that would be associated with these new facilities, and we are concerned about increased traffic congestion. Many households in the area rely on street parking that would become both less safe and less available with the increased traffic.

We also are concerned about the impact on our property values due to being well within earshot of such facilities, and in fact wonder if this could cause our home loan to go upside-down (i.e., we worry that we will owe more on the house than the house then would be worth). Increasing the number of non-residents that enter the community always carries with it increased risks for residents. This may include crimes like petty theft and vandalism, as well as vehicular accidents, accidental fires, and other unintended consequences.

For all of these reasons, we urge you to deny the variance requested by the Revolution Church. Thank you.

Please let me know if you need additional information.

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I don't believe I'll be heard but the influx of kids at the park will overpopulate and deny kids in the neighborhood the ability to play as freely as they currently can. There are baseball and other games at the park which is great but they are not taking up the space regularly to any degree that prevents others from using the space. Same for the grassy field and playground area which with a daycare/daycamp/after school program can overcrowd depending on their expected everyday use. I love the sound of kids playing, but not to the detriment of kids in the area and others who use the park with reasonability. Having kids everyday especially a large group after school to take over the park is not very considerate of other kids who just want to play for a while and can't because of capacity to play on the playground. The park isn't owned by that building but they would surely act like it were. That's what I have to say about it.

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Kevin Taylor

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I support the approval of the Revolution Church project. This group has made good use of the old YMCA building and has invited the public in for several events. Summer camp and child care are both great needs in the community and I see no way this could bother any of us who live in the neighborhood. Indeed, this should help our neighborhood.

Mike Signorini

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