## **Christopher Davis**

From: Sent: To: Subject: Robert Neil September-08-14 9:07 AM Chris Davis Fwd: Regarding the Proposed Commercial Daycare on Signature Close

Anouther letter. Prob too late

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From: Allan Laudersmith <<u>laudersmith@me.com</u>> Date: September 8, 2014 at 3:19:26 AM MDT To: <u>rneill.ca@gmail.com</u> Subject: Regarding the Proposed Commercial Daycare on Signature Close

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Robert,

Further to our discussions regarding the proposed Daycare on Signature Close, I believe that it is critical that as a community we do everything that we can do to put a stop to this proposal. The proposed daycare poses a number of problems for the community and those living on Signature Close, three of them are noted below.

1) Concerns re: Traffic volume, especially during peak hours. There will be a number of vehicles coming onto this residential street, as the resident community is leaving this area right past this home (given it's en route to one of only two exits from the Signature Close community). The thought of more traffic on this street, at a time when my two young boys are walking down and crossing the street on their way to a school bus pickup at the intersection near where this daycare is going to be, concerns me greatly.

2) Concerns re: Noise in the Neighbourhood - We moved into this neighbourhood because it was a peaceful, quiet location that had reasonable access to the city. Adding a daycare takes away from that quiet and peaceful allure of this residential community, impacting the lives of those within a block of the daycare, while also negatively impacting the value of the residences on this street.

3) Increase risk of accident involving a pedestrian : As you're aware there continue to be numerous concerns with the number of cars that are using Signature Close as a means to circumvent having to slow down for the children zone on Scirocco Drive. This continues to cause excessive traffic on the street. Those that are doing this are coming down the street at excessive speeds and put all of the kids in the neighbourhood at risk. Additionally, the location of the house is within 100 yards of two intersections, increasing that risk even further. I believe that allowing a commercial daycare on this street would be reckless, and will most certainly lead to a significant increase in the risk of an accident, and heightens the risk of automobile accidents involving a pedestrian.

We invest in our houses and our communities with the intention of building lives, turning a house into a home, and building a sense of community with our neighbours. To zone a commercial property in the middle of residential space is disrespectful to the work we've done to build a respectful community of people that spend time together, enjoy our surroundings. We need to respect the value of "community" by ensuring it stays residential and populated with people that understand what we've created here.

Rob, please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions or if there is anything that I can do to assist in this situation. I appreciate the work you've put into trying to shut down this proposal. It concerns me that the city hasn't looked closer into this prior to submitting an approval for this commercial facility. I'd ask every one of them how they'd feel if this exact same type of commercial property ( bringing with it increased traffic, increased noise and increased risk of accident) were to set-up beside their home or doors down from where they live. I'm certain they'd have some issues with it if it was occurring doors down from them.

Best Regards

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