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To: Planning
Subject: Opposed to future projects surrounding Dolsontown Road and Caskey Lane. Attention Richard Onorati
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Good evening,

I attended last night's board meeting and was one of the speakers below is what I read last night. Thank you.

Good evening my name is Melissa DeVito and I am the daughter of Sal and Sherry DeVito one of the residents on 24 Caskey Ln.

I live on 3 August Road in Goshen and I oppose these projects.

I'm not here tonight to go over everything that's being done around the residential area around my parents' house and other residents. I'm here to actually speak to the heart of the matter.

I want you all to take a moment and step out of your roles as professionals, corporations, and decision making made on money alone. I want you all to think back when you bought your first house and started a family and what your dreams were at that point. The American dream is to buy a house start a family retire sit back and enjoy everything you worked hard for including having your grandchildren and family come by while you look at everything you're going to give them when your time has come.

You make a plan, you know just how much money you need to retire, and you know just how much money you need to pay off your mortgage so that you can sit back and not have any more worries except for maybe a few health ailments and to possibly have to babysit your grandkids more than you want to.

Now imagine you're in your late 60s early 70s and you're told that around that beautiful property and house where you thought you were going to sit back and relax and enjoy everything you worked hard for was going to come to a very eye-opening reality. That big corporations were going to build around and butt up to your home. Not only would there be loud noises from the trucks, destruction of the land around you, and heavy traffic but now you have to possibly uproot at such a late age in life and move when prices did not go down they went up, when it's not easy to find a house and who wants to start over with a mortgage or even rent for that matter when all you want is to leave your family something and leave them with memories that live within that home, and this, fighting to hold on to your rights as a homeowner, attend numerous meetings, protest with emotion and fear was not part of your plan at this stage of your life. Having to justify why moving forward with this destructive project would affect not only residents, but the land, the wildlife and add to current heavy traffic.

Well, you may just think a few residential houses what's the big deal, but I need you to imagine that it's your family and choices that you have to make and how would you feel?

I'm asking and I may only be one voice but I'm pleading at this point to do the right thing. Whatever you think this is going to benefit, you need to think about those lives you are going to ruin. It takes true leadership to understand the impact of the lives this will affect and to really think of the aftermath of a choice or the consequences of a choice. You all have the power to change lives and let them live their lives peacefully with no issues, just peace which is hard to

come by these days.

I've watched my parents stress over this, not rest, they're on edge and my father who retired a few months ago and followed the rules of the American dream, paid his taxes, obeyed the law, and worked hard so he could finally enjoy his success, has went back to work part time in fear that he may have to start over again.

Today is my 45th birthday and every year I wish for good health, but this year my wish is to please stop the building and destruction around the families that lives are going to be changed forever, let this be the night that confidence and trust is brought back into leadership, let's get back to what matters most and that's humanity, not money. I leave you with this one question, would you approve these projects if you or your parents lived here? Thank you for your time.

I did have a question: Will there be an analyst (that is non biased and no conflict of interest) looking over traffic buildup due to the slow acceleration time of trucks in general. Since trucks take a long time to go into different gears and they can only go a certain mile per hour that would build up a lot of traffic since they are going so slow up and down the hills wouldn't that affect traffic flow even more?

Another question I have is:

Concerning all the analysts looking over wildlife, history in the area, noise control, pollution, and any effects this project will have on our area will there be a non-biased

and no conflict of interest professional looking into these things?

Again thank you for your time and your thorough consideration of declining these projects from moving forward.

Sincerely,
Melissa DeVito

Sent from my iPhone