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Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2018 1:03 AM
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**Subject:** BZA Case 19377: The Boundary Companies and The Missionary Society

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Comments in Opposition to the proposed development:

Our home is the first home next to the existing Paulist Building, by the Lee Montessori Charter School. Since the school opened, we have seen with concern the increase in traffic in front of our home, as families use the community's private streets as a short cut. The proposed townhomes would exacerbate this already complicated matter and poses a hazard to our children. We are very concerned that the resulting noise, additional fumes, and potential danger posed by a dramatic increase in traffic in front of our home will negatively impact the use and enjoyment of our home.

In this regard, we ask that you request the developers to reinforce the current gate separating Regent Pl from the Charter School and the future development. To ensure maintenance of and respect for our private roads, the gate must stay in place and be converted into a semi-permanent separation, effectively stopping through traffic by the school community and future residents.

We are also greatly saddened by the loss of mature trees in the existing green space, which is enjoyed by the larger community and specially by the children attending the schools. The rapid development of the Brookland neighborhood is eliminating open green space and there are very few —if any— areas that preserve the number and quality of trees currently in this property. Furthermore, to be consistent with current efforts of "greening the city", this property should be kept as is, and continue to be an important buffer to rapid urbanization.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Claudia Salazar and Miguel Porrua