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Dear Ms. Reid:

I live in the Foxhall/Palisades neighborhood, and I am writing to support the development plan proposed by The Field School. I believe that the school's presence will enhance the neighborhood and that Field's use of the former Cafritz estate will not have a detrimental impact on the immediate neighbors of the site.

Field has made important and far-reaching concessions in how it will use the property in order to meet the neighborhood's concerns about potential parking and traffic problems. I want to commend The Field School for the steps that it has taken in reaching out to the community early in the design process of the school buildings, athletic facilities and location of the entrances to the School and parking spaces. The end result is a plan that I believe creates a beautiful environment for The Field School's students, faculty and parents, as well as the surrounding neighborhood.

One of the issues of greatest concern in the community has been the impact that this project will have on the traffic patterns in the area. I believe that the traffic management plan the school has devised will serve the interests of the parents and students and the residents of the neighborhood and not create a problem. Penalizing Field for the traffic problems on Foxhall Road is simply unfair and counterproductive. Those problems are caused by speeding (which the police admit to being unable to enforce) and commuter traffic (the vast majority of cars speeding down Foxhall bear out-of-state plates). The Field School will serve the neighborhood by preserving open space and adding a top quality high school in the neighborhood. Although we have many schools in the area, they are not high schools.

I appreciate your attention to this letter, and I ask that you approve The Field School's application. My children do not attend Field but I strongly support the school nonetheless.

Sincerely,

Sally D. Rainey

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