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Re: Forest Hills Tree and Slope Overlay

Dear Mr. Bastida:

I am writing in support of the Overlay proposal of the Forest Hills Citizens Association. We have owned our house on Broad Branch Terrace for over 25 years, and have been pleased that this lovely neighborhood has not changed a great deal during that time. It remains a quiet, peaceful area with many mature trees, neighborhood parks and reasonable space between the houses. The Overlay proposal should help to keep it that way, and to prevent development that would cut up the existing lots, remove trees, tear down many of the existing houses and alter in a negative way the existing very pleasant ambiance of the neighborhood.

I do not believe the proposed Overlay will have a negative effect on property values in this area. In fact, by preserving the existing trees and open spaces it may well enhance these values. It is now a very pleasant place to live, and should become increasingly desirable in the future.

Sincerely,

Mitchell Reese

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