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Dear Mr. Virendra Kallianpur,

I hope this email finds you well. My name is Claudia Niland, and I am writing to you as a concerned resident of our community. I implore you to give serious consideration to the potential consequences of the proposed rezoning and development plans in our neighborhood, specifically concerning the building located at [address or area]. I write to you today seeking your assistance in halting the rezoning process to protect the livability and well-being of our elderly residents, including my 90-year-old mother who currently resides in the building.

The key message of this letter is to express our strong opposition to the rezoning of the properties at 8911, 8931, 8951, and 8991 Patterson Road from the current "Residential Single Family (RS1/F)" zone to the new "Residential/Limited Commercial (ZMU54)" zone and "School and Institutional Use (SI)" zone. Furthermore, we firmly request that the development of a mixed-use mid-rise and high-rise project be prevented.

The primary concern we have revolves around the potential disturbances and noise that could arise from the rezoning and any subsequent development activities. As an elderly individual with delicate health, my mother requires a serene and peaceful environment to maintain her physical and emotional well-being. The prospect of increased noise levels due to construction, heightened foot traffic, and amplified commercial activities weighs heavily on her, as she fears it may render her living space uninhabitable and disrupt her quality of life.

It is crucial to understand the unique needs of our elderly population. For them, their residence serves as a sanctuary, a place where they find solace and security. The disruptive noise resulting from the rezoning and subsequent development could severely impact my mother's sleep patterns, contribute to heightened stress levels, and exacerbate any existing health conditions. As her caretaker, I am deeply concerned about the potential consequences on her mental and physical health if she were subjected to constant noise disturbances.

In addition to the well-being of our elderly residents, there are other significant factors that should be taken into account when considering this rezoning proposal. These include concerns related to community harmony, infrastructure capacity, and property values. The potential disruption to the harmony of our residential neighborhood, strain on existing infrastructure, and negative impact on property values are issues that require careful consideration.

Given the aforementioned concerns, I beseech you to use your influence and position to halt the rezoning process until further comprehensive assessments have been conducted. These assessments should consider the potential negative impacts on our elderly residents, as well as the broader implications for community harmony, infrastructure capacity, and property values.

I implore you to engage in a meaningful dialogue with the affected residents, to understand their apprehensions and explore alternatives that strike a balance between growth and preserving the quality of life for all residents. By demonstrating your commitment to protecting the well-being and rights of our elderly population, you will be setting a powerful example of compassionate leadership and fostering a community that is inclusive and supportive of all its members.

I sincerely appreciate your attention to this matter and your commitment to the well-being of our community. I respectfully request your urgent action and intervention to safeguard the livability and tranquility of our neighborhood, ensuring that our elderly residents can enjoy their homes without fear or disruption.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I eagerly await your response and hope for a favorable resolution that upholds the best interests of our community and its valued elderly residents.

Sincerely,
Claudia Niland