

**February 5, 2026**

**To:** Dane County Zoning and Land Regulation (ZLR) Committee

**From:** Jerry and Sharon Wendt, 3511 State Road 138, Stoughton

**Re:** Petition CUP 2694 from Jake Antos

We are writing in support of the request by Jake Antos for a Conditional Use Permit (DCPCUP-2025-02694) at his location 3514 State Highway 138, Stoughton.

Over the past four years, we have observed a systematic and meaningful approach to improvements to the property. These include upgrades to the home and outbuildings, improvements to the access point, and consistently cooperative and respectful interactions as neighbors. From the removal of unusable materials to thoughtful tree planting, every change has been a welcome improvement for us as the closest neighboring property owners.

Since 1999 we have lived directly across the road from their property. During this time, we have had daily observations of both its past and present condition. For more than 20 years after our purchase, the property was in decline in both quality and utility. It was a tremendous relief when Mr. Antos purchased the property, as he had the skills, resources, equipment, and knowledge to make consistent, responsible improvements.

We have never had any issues with how Antos Excavating operates or with their interactions with us or our guests. Jake Antos has consistently been professional, friendly, helpful, and respectful. His background in agriculture and clear respect for the land and others reflects the values instilled by his family while growing up in Rockford, Illinois.

Antos Excavating has never caused issues related to traffic, noise, odor, pollution, or property access. We have no concerns that the proposed changes would have any negative impacts. The requested changes do not alter our comfort or confidence in their operation in any way.

As the closest neighbor and in response to your request for input, we fully support their plans and strongly encourage your approval of their application. We would be very disappointed to see them forced to relocate and risk the possibility of a less cooperative or poorly managed operation moving onto the property. We believe a denial could lead to that outcome, which would be a loss for the neighborhood.

Please feel free to contact us (608-877-0511) if you have any additional questions or would like further input.