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I'm writing regarding the proposed conditional use permit for 11Eleven, LLC, to open a daycare center at 7069 Applewood Drive.

Three years ago, we moved to 7064 Applewood Dr, which is across the street from 7069, and we are extremely opposed to a daycare center being operated there.

Our primary objection is with safety - we have 3 small children (7, 4, and 6 months), and the older 2 oftentimes play in the front yard and driveway. This daycare center will unquestionably increase traffic in Applewood, and in front of our house, which poses a risk for our children. Similarly, we are worried that our driveway will be used for the day care center customers to "turn around", which poses a more direct risk for our children.

Our family takes once-to-twice daily walks or bike rides around the 2/3 mile Applewood circle, and because there are no sidewalks, we use the street for this purpose. Our family outings would be much more dangerous with a daycare operating across the street, twice a day there would be at least eight daycare families' vehicles, as well as the vehicles of daycare staff rushing in and out of Applewood. Daycare pickup/dropoff is a notoriously hurried, distracted time for drivers and we do not want this commotion in the street with our children walking/biking. This is just asking for a child to be hit by a car. We purposely moved to this type of single family neighborhood to avoid raising our children near businesses or schools and their traffic.

We share other concerns that have been summarized by other Applewood residents, such as property values, the effect on the water utility, and general noise.

When we moved in, we discovered that Applewood is a close knit neighborhood, and we've loved meeting everyone and the great sense of community that we have here. A company that runs a chain of daycares does not fit into our neighborhood and community - they are only concerned with making money, community be damned.

Further, I understand that finding child care can be difficult, and that the county likely wants to encourage additional daycares to open - please be aware that this is not a net increase in child care for the county, as the Tuttle closed one of their other sites.

We respectfully ask that the Zoning Commission recommends the CUP for 7069 Applewood be denied.

Thank you,
Nick, Jessie, Winter, Violet, and Nova Vreeland