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Fwd: Council File No. 11-0262 Community Care Facility Ordinance

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To Whom It May Concern:

We chose to live in this neighborhood due to the size of the lots which provided a feeling of tranquility. We realized that living on such a large piece of land would be costly because of the property taxes but figured the good outweighed the bad when considering the piece and quiet such a community provided.

Suddenly things in the neighborhood started changing. As you know one thing leads to another and now our peaceful community has changed dramatically.

When the school at 7711 Jellico Avenue was created we were told that six students would be attending the school and would be trained in the kitchen area and the computer lab for future work opportunities. We were also told that someone would be living in the home at all times.

From the very start we noticed a change in the traffic condition as well as the noise level. As time went on there was more traffic and more noise. It seemed as though there were more than six people attending the school. I know there were at least five cars parked daily on Jellico, I assume these were the teachers cars. There were also vehicles dropping off and picking up students throughout the day. In the beginning most of us in the neighborhood felt that this school would be a good opportunity for the students but we were also under the impression that there would be only six attendees. When more vehicles started coming and going, we started to change our way of thinking.

Somehow the population changed from six to fourteen and now we became aware that

not only were these students dropped off, they were relocated to another location for training then returned to be picked up at a late time. For each student this would be four vehicles for transport each day. We have cars, school buses, transit vans and taxi cabs driving down our street throughout the day. They double park, block driveways and are constantly flipping u-turns, which I believe creates a huge safety issue, not only for the neighbors but for the students as well.

I understand there is an attempt to increase the student population to thirty six. I cannot even imagine it. This would be thirty six drop offs and thirty six pick ups, bringing the total to seven two vehicles on our street each day. If each student was transported to another location then returned it would bring the total to one hundred forty four vehicles per day. On a weekly basis it would be seven hundred twenty vehicles on our street. Please understand that this does not include the staff needed to take care of these students, nor the Saturday schooling or the parties they sometimes have on Saturdays or Sundays. Seven Hundred Twenty cars per week are a bit much to ask of any community. This is just the traffic issue; it does not even address the wear and tear of our street that to my understanding the city will not repair.

The noise level is loud at times; we've heard people screaming, singing to loud music and teachers yelling out commands for physical education purposes. Then to compound this matter they have parties on Saturdays and/or Sundays. The screaming is a real issue with me because there was a time that if I heard someone screaming, I would have investigated the problem and called the police if necessary. Now I hear a scream and I just assume it is coming from the school, when someone could really need my help.

Please do not let this happen to our neighborhood.