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To the Planning Commission:

This letter is to follow up on the 7/1/24 public hearing for Bart Hafeman's application for a conditional use permit.

On 6/24/24 my husband, Michael Tinning, submitted an opposition letter to Mr. Hafeman's proposal. My husband's letter was brought up at the 7/1 public hearing. I wanted to clarify a statement in that letter regarding Mr. Hafeman's property taxes.

I had been assisting my husband in researching Columbia County property taxes. Online records made it appear that Mr. Hafeman's annual property taxes are \$500. However I didn't realize there are two separate parcels located on Mr. Hafeman's flag lot. I apologize for this error.

That aside, I feel the bigger issue was overlooked, which is how events at the Lake House disrupt the balance of our neighborhood.

Mr. Hafeman has received multiple letters of support, which is no surprise given his long history in Columbia County. However the letters are from individuals who are not affected by the traffic and noise.

I would like to mention that when Mr. Hafeman first began hosting weddings on his property, I thought it was nice. I could hear the soft music, the spoken vows and the subsequent celebratory toasts. Experiencing that, from afar, was heartwarming and sweet.

But over time, these events grew. The music went from soft to loud and the traffic became (and still is) excessive. The shuttle, which neighbors call the Party Bus, drives up and down 9th Street throughout the day and night. Cars park along 9th and the surrounding streets. Lost guests drive around aimlessly, looking for the Lake House entrance. My husband and I frequently direct these lost guests, so they won't be late to the events.

The entire situation is very difficult because we know the Hafeman family personally. I don't want to discount the contributions Mr. Hafeman has made to the local community, including Mr. Hafeman's participation in a fundraiser for my husband, when he was unexpectedly diagnosed with cancer in 2017. I thank Mr. Hafeman for that support.

Unfortunately my husband's cancer is now terminal, which is one of the reasons I'm opposed to Mr. Hafeman's proposal. Now, more than ever, I need to create a peaceful environment. I would simply like Mr. Hafeman's proposal to include him following the guidelines that he, himself, set forth. I'm asking that his shuttle bus actually follow the route proposed in his application: up/down Davona Drive.

I'd like Mr. Hafeman's guests to stop parking their cars in front of my house. I'd like to stop helping his lost guests find the entrance to the Lake House. I'd like to not listen to thumping music. I'd like to support my husband, in a quiet environment, as he literally fights for his life. I'd like to have some assurances that Mr. Hafeman understands the impact his business has on the surrounding community.

Thank you.

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