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Dear Ms. Edwards,

I would like to address the Mill Plaza Redevelopment and the ramp that connects it and my neighborhood to Main St.

I am a 6th grade student at ORMS that lives within a 10-15 minute walk and 8-10 minute bike of the school. April through December I bike to school via Mill Road to Madbury to Woodman and so on. On the ride home I don't feel comfortable riding the traffic pattern home, so I walk the stretch of sidewalk from Petty-Brook Parking-Lot up to the Post Office then ride my bike down the footpath into the Mill Plaza then back down Chesley Dr. There are a bunch of other kids in my neighborhood that do the same because they feel safer than riding on Mill Road. If the ramp is replaced by a stairway this option goes away unless we can carry our bikes.

In the winter [December, January, February & (sometimes March)] I walk down Chesley Dr. with my friend Corina, then we walk through the plaza, up the footpath and through downtown. If student housing was developed there, I don't know if I would be as comfortable and feel as safe walking through a college housing complex on my way to and from school (especially as a teenage girl). I know I probably won't make a huge difference in the decision you make, but I hope you read this letter with careful consideration.

Sincerely,

Hannah Bogle

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