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Dear Members of the Conservation Commission

I thank you for your time and your diligence in dealing with the many proposals currently before you. So many, in fact, that you are generously giving your time to extend the December 28 meeting in order to properly accommodate the very important issue of the Plaza redevelopment proposal, and its consequences to the area.

As a close neighbor to the plaza, I could say I am directly affected by changes there, both structural and environmental. But the fact is that this proposed project greatly affects **ALL** Durham residents—current, and future.

I am trying to be brief. I know you have already received many letters from residents expressing their concerns about this project.

Quite simply, I ask you to give particular attention to the experiential input of two highly involved parties.

#1) Residents of Chelsey Drive: They know the brook; they live beside it. They know its behavior in normal and abnormal weather conditions. They are warning of the deleterious effect of destructive changes to the plaza area.

#2) Plaza Management. Has been demonstrably indifferent, in the past, to the agreements they have made concerning maintenance of the property w/r/t care of the brook and the vegetation at the back of the plaza—to the point of violating their previous agreements. Why should we expect any different in the future?

The ecological status of this area is fragile as it is. We cannot allow it to be further compromised. Please take the above input by these parties into serious consideration.

Again, thank you for the time you put into being on the commission and protecting the environment health and future of our town.

Respectfully,

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