

April 22, 2025

To: Planning Board

From: Tom Christie

Slania Enterprises

RE: Conditional Use Map 106, Lot 39

Board,

I am writing to voice my concern over the proposed conversion of 9 Madbury Rd, forth floor, to residential use.

My concerns are that for years the Town has worked toward making the downtown “more than just student housing”. I have attended numerous meetings over the years where the vision for downtown would be a mix of uses. Office space has always been deemed an important part of that vision. The Town downtown core has a limited geographic footprint and eliminating office space would leave a void for the future.

9 Madbury was built with the agreement that it could be build to 4 stories but the forth story would have to be non- residential.

I would ask the board to consider the long term effects of allowing this conversion and envision when other properties follow and non-residential (office) use is eliminated from the core, what would be the result.

Regards

Tom Christie

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