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To the Members of the Durham Zoning Board of Adjustment:

RE: Application for Variance from Article 11, Section 175-7, of the Durham Zoning Ordinance to permit the temporary occupancy of four unrelated people in a single family home at 29 Mill Road.

Doug and I strongly oppose giving a variance to Marc McConnell to allow student housing at 29 Mill Road. At least four unrelated students are living there now, and their presence next door has a deleterious impact on our neighborhood and on property values. They frequently have as many as 6 or 7 cars in our shared driveway, blocking access to our garage and impeding access to the snowplow. They have had loud parties that have awakened us and our neighbors at 2 AM. They are not unpleasant people, but students do not belong in a family neighborhood, especially next door to a house with a shared driveway. There is already more than enough student housing in downtown Durham without destroying even more of Mill Road!

Sincerely,

Katie Wheeler