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Sandra L. Day City/County Planner 6th & Massachusetts St. P.O. Box 708 Lawrence, Ks. 66049

April 19, 2004

RE: ART Executive Office Park @ 3340 Peterson Rd (NW Corner of Peterson Road and Sterling Drive)

Dear Ms. Day:

As a <u>life long resident of Lawrence</u> I am a <u>very concerned tax payer</u> and this letter has taken me a few weeks to compose since receiving your letter of April 2, 2004, regarding the above mentioned proposed project.

My husband and I are opposing the proposed Day Care Center for the following reasons:

- . increased noise level from playground area in zoned residential area
- . increased traffic
- probability of parking congestion on adjacent streets (Sherwood Drive, Sterling Drive)
- safety of the residents (with increased activity in the area)

In the past this neighborhood has enjoyed the quiet and peacefulness of this residential area, with adjacent retirement/assisted living quarters and single family homes.

As you are well aware of and can see, to the North of Fall Creek Farms (Kasold and Peterson Rd) is a new development called Hutton Farms. This too will add to the congestion of traffic, noise level as well as over abundance of people activity.

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Re: ART Executive Office Park

Another option that the Commissioners should and could consider is the area to the South of Hallmark Cards (McDonald Drive and Peterson Rd. and to the West of Hallmark Cards (North Iowa and Peterson Rd). Both of these areas intersect with streets that are highly traveled and more convenient to ALL residents of our beautiful community.

Originally this space was planned for an office complex with low level of activity, and environmentally picturesque setting. (What is the definition of PARK in ART Executive Office Park). What has happened? We know that Art Cromwell, developer of the ART Executive Offices Park has passed away since this plan was initiated and possibility of changes can occur. We would like you to consider above options for this Office Complex Park space.

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A written response is well appreciated.

Sincerely,

Residents of Sherwood Drive Subdivision since 1991

3308 Sherwood Drive

Lawrence, Ks. 66049



----Original Message----

From: Jerome Pichette [mailto:jerome_pichette@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, April 26, 2004 12:07 PM

To: sday@ci.lawrence.ks.us **Subject:** UPR 03-01-04

In reference to upr03-01-04, daycare center at Art Executive Office Park: My wife and I live at 609 Regents St. which is to the immediate East of this Office Park. I am also the president of our homeowners association. As such, I have had numerous conversations with some of our members as to this daycare issue. It appears that we would definitely want the entrance to be on the West side of the building and the fenced playground area to have the fencing at least a solid six foot wooden structure. We feel that the main entrance should be on the West side and at the same time realizing that we cannot stop patrons from using the entrance on Sterling Drive. The increase traffice is a very high concern of some of the residents. Jerry Pichette, 609 Regents St. Lawrence, Ks

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From: Toppy24@aol.com [mailto:Toppy24@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, April 26, 2004 12:13 PM

To: sday@ci.lawrence.ks.us **Subject:** Day Care Center

Jerry Pichette has just visited with me regarding the day care center that will be going in directly across the street from my home. My address is 3218 Taylor Dr., which is on the corner of Sterling and Taylor. I was hoping that this space would only be used as offices, as we were originally informed, before any building on the property was started. Apparently, this is not going to be.

The homeowners who are affected the most, and those I have talked with, are mainly concerned about traffic and the fencing. We feel the fence should be a minimum of 6 feet - not 4!. If the main traffic entrance will be off Peterson Road (and NOT Sterling), that is acceptable. From the plat that Jerry had, it was hard to invision exactly where the fencing would be placed. For me, it would be wonderful to still be able to see green grass and the trees they having growing in the East lawn, across from my property.

I plan on attending the meeting on this Wednesday evening.

Florence (Toppy) Johnson Phone - 843-0838