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To: TO-Landuse; James Ventres; Linda Zemienieski
Subject: [External] Letter for tonight's Planning and Zoning meeting Re: opposition to Application PZC # 25-17Application

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We are writing as concerned citizens of East Haddam about the proposed 24 hour gas station, large canopy and drive thru window, selling fast food in Application PZC #25-17.
Our concerns are first safety. That property is located on a dangerous curve. We have witnessed many incidents of close call accidents from travelers in both directions of Rt 149 at the merge with Moodus Leesville Road (Rt151).
Secondly, we already have a gas station in close proximity to the proposed gas station and we surely do not need another. The 7-11, an established business, has a much smaller appearance with better sight lines.
I would be opposed to a zoning change. We have lived in East Haddam for 33 years and fell in love with the charm of our small town. We don't want Moodus to turn into another East Hampton or Colchester with chain stores, multiple gas stations etc. Fast food chains do not fit the character of the town. How will this impact our local Mom and Pop run stores like Village Pizza, Moodus Mud or Hometown Market?
Lastly, I see this as a detriment to the residents living in this area. Bright lights, more traffic and noise 24 hours a day.
We would oppose approving this application.
Sincerely,
William and Denise Brown
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