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To The Ann Arbor Planning Commission,

I wish to file a formal complaint against the extreme noise levels at the UM Soccer Complex. Today, Instead of spending a lovely evening in my home hearing the typical outdoor noises I was listening to the sounds of a soccer event at this stadium. Needless to say I didn't enjoy it and didn't expect to even hear it. I'm not talking about muted noises but noises such as the announcer's voice, the roar of the crowd, the music and everything that goes with it. I didn't expect to hear it because I live closer to Whole Foods and Ann Arbor Saline Road. According to an article in Ann Arbor.com, Jill Thacher of this planning commission stated that residents were notified by mail about this upcoming project. However, the residents notified were only the residents that live within a certain distance. That distance does not include the Oakbrook Villas of which I live in. Oakbrook Villas is closer to Ann Arbor Saline Road. It appears that only Jean Carlberg of this commission voiced any concerns about the possible noise levels according to this article She also encouraged the University to monitor the noise levels. Well, as a resident of this city, I contacted the city of Ann Arbor Police regarding the noise level at this event. The very helpful Police Officer told me to contact the UM Public Safety people since they have no control over what the UM does. I contacted the UM Public Safety people and was first told that they would look into it. After more noise, I contacted them again and was directed to talk to someone in charge. That person told me that they have no control over the stadium noise because they have a permit of 'amplified noise' until 10 p.m.. He wasn't quite sure of the 10 p.m. time but make it perfectly clear that the noise can be as loud as they want and only the athletic dept. control the noise level.

Therefore, my questions for the planning commission is what do you intend to do for the residents who don't live near this stadium and have to hear unacceptable levels of noise. Why are there no acceptable limits on the noise levels at this stadium? Why is only the athletic dept. at UM the only entity to decide the noise levels.

Thank you in advance for whatever help you can do for this situation. However, I await your solution but in the meantime I will keep searching for someone in the State of Michigan to evaluate and control this noise level.

Yours truly,  
Margaret Goodly