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To whom it may concern:

I am writing in support of the SouthTown project, as proposed, for its contribution to our neighborhood and benefits to the Ann Arbor community.

As I understand the project, it would provide several infrastructure improvements that would benefit our mission by focusing our funding and efforts on supporting services and housing. The SouthTown project meets and exceeds our sustainability aspirations not only in housing, building materials and technological advancement, but also in reducing our carbon footprint in transit solutions. The higher density population near campus and several bus lines creates housing accessible to alternative, public mobility options that reduce our miles traveled, reduce the cost burden of owning a car and improve the demand on our bus system.

Our family owns several significant commercial properties in the immediate neighborhood of the proposed sight for SouthTown. We have both a personal as well as a professional relationship with Marge and Heidi Poscher, the developers and planners of this project and have found both to be reliable, professional and community minded. The success and visibility of their ambitious real estate projects over these past years in the neighborhood is quite evident. We support this project as community driven and hope you will support it as well.

Thank you for your service on behalf of the city of Ann Arbor.

Best, David

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