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Hello all,

I hope this email finds you well! My name is Willa Cornillie, and I am a resident at 603 Mary Ct. I do apologize for the late email, but I wanted to submit a comment for the Mary Court hearing on Wednesday.

As a second year resident of Mary Court, I have been able to witness what a special community can be fostered in such a unique space. Mary Court is not only a place to live but to make connections, spend time on the court together at bonfires or enjoying live music. The court is an institution in the Ann Arbor community, not just for those who live there. We have continuously been open to hosting community wide open invite events like the Mary Court Music Festival without being disruptive to the rest of the community.

Additionally, and perhaps most importantly, Mary Court represents the countless instances in which affordable housing in Ann Arbor that is bought out and replaced with housing that is often more than double the cost. Students who cannot afford to pay 2,000 dollars a month should not be forced further and further away from campus—yet they are, which also puts them at an academic disadvantage. I have always felt safe and content with our living conditions in the Mary Ct Houses. To say they are unsafe is to use resident safety as an excuse to actively put the tenants of Mary Court in worse or precarious living situations as we can only hope to find safe and affordable housing if we are kicked out of our homes.

I understand that we are asking a lot, but we can only hope you will truly take a moment to listen and consider our concerns.

Thank you,

Willa Cornillie