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Opposition to the Proposed 15-Unit Condo Project 416 Longshore Drive

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Dear City of Ann Arbor,

I am writing to you as a concerned resident of Ann Arbor and a stakeholder in the well-being of our community. I have recently become aware of the application for the construction of a new four-story, 15-unit condominium at 416 Longshore Drive, currently under review by the Ann Arbor City Planning Commission.

I wish to express my opposition to this proposed project based on the urgent need for affordable housing in our city. Ann Arbor is currently facing a significant housing crisis, where the cost of living continues to rise, and many of our citizens are finding it increasingly difficult to find homes that are affordable.

The construction of more luxury condos will not mitigate this crisis but rather exacerbate it. These high-end developments cater to a small, affluent fraction of the population, often driving up property values and further limiting the availability of reasonably priced housing for the majority of residents, including many of our essential workers, young professionals, and families.

It is imperative that the city focuses on developing inclusive housing solutions that serve a broader range of income levels. By prioritizing affordable housing projects, we can take meaningful steps towards addressing the housing imbalance and ensuring that Ann Arbor remains a diverse and vibrant community accessible to all its residents.

I urge the Ann Arbor City Planning Commission to reconsider the approval of luxury condominium developments such as the one proposed, and instead to direct resources and support towards the creation of affordable housing options. Ann Arbor must be a place where all individuals and families, regardless of income, have the opportunity to live in quality, affordable homes.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue. I trust that you will consider my concerns and those of other residents who share this viewpoint. I look forward to seeing responsible and community-focused development plans that align with the values and needs of our city.

Sincerely, Natasha Dacic

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