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Hello Planning Commission, Planning Office, and City Council members,

I am writing to you today to implore you to please deny AAPS's request and plan to pave a roadway over a large part of the south Thurston prairie as part of the effort to rebuild Thurston Elementary School. The south prairie parcel is owned by the city, not AAPS, and so they must seek city permission to put in impervious surface.

As I'm sure you are all well aware at this point, the reconstruction process for Thurston has been divisive and generally anti-resident, despite the bond's original intent of using staging buildings during the rebuilds. I ask you to consider the long educational history of Thurston Nature Center and its beloved grounds in considering your decision here, which I sincerely hope is to deny AAPS's desire to pave over a scout-planted and maintained prairie.

Thank you,

Stefan Arambasich

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