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**ATTACHMENT 1**

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August 25, 2009

City of Santa Barbara
Planning Division
C/o Kathleen Kennedy, Associate Planner
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SUBJECT: APPEAL OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION DECISION OF AUGUST 20, 2009;
226-232 EUCALYPTUS HILL DRIVE
APN 015-050-017 & 015-50-018

Dear Ms. Kennedy:

Please accept this letter as a formal appeal of the entire subject of City Planning decisions as well as the Environmental decision made under CEQA to the Santa Barbara City Council. We believe the Planning Commission Hearing left many of the neighborhood issues unresolved and inadequately addressed. The Planning Commission's tightly structured time frame hampered meaningful discussion/debate; questions raised at this hearing and the prior hearing on June 18, 2009, went unanswered; no opportunity was given for discussion of the conditions of approval. Conflicting testimony regarding drainage issues, hillside grading, and indemnification continue to raise serious concerns and merit further scrutiny. Further we seek an objective evaluation of this development based on consideration of all the people who will be impacted by this project.

The required appeal fee of $ 395 is attached for processing. As one of the neighborhood representatives and a resident of the City of Santa Barbara, I ask for the earliest possible hearing of this appeal. If you have questions, please contact June Sochel at 969-0354 or Ernie Salomon at 565-3025.

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Vassallo
Tony Vassallo

Tony and Caroline Vassallo