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The Honorable Mayor Kevin Foy and Members of the Chapel Hill Town Council Chapel Hill Town Hall 405 Martin Luther King Blvd. Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Re: Neighborhood Conservation District Overlay

Dear Mayor and Members of the Town Council:

This letter is to express the concern of the First Baptist and Manley Estates Board of Directors for the proposal to include our property in the overlay district zone since representatives of our group may not be able to attend the public heating on this subject. We ask that the Council exclude the property owned by First Baptist and Manley Estates from the conservation overlay district for reasons indicated below. While we fully support the reasons given for including the long-standing residential property in the Pine Knolls neighborhood within the district, those reasons do not reasonable apply for the property owned by our corporation.

First and foremost among the reasons for our request for our property to be excluded fkom the overlay zone is the fact that our current use is institutional or multi-family in nature. Additionally, our current and any future use (note that no change in use is contemplated nor will be permitted for our property) generally does not fit into the residential protection goals of the proposed district. The subject property is physically located on the fringe or boundary of the Pine Knolls neighborhood and is separated by the institutional property occupied by the Chapel Hill-Carrboro School System.

We believe that the goals of the residents of Pine Knolls which include protection of the character and livability of this community are well placed. However, we respectfully request that the property of First Baptist and Manley Estates be excluded from this overlay district because of the reasons above which are not inclusive of all of our concerns.

Thanks in advance for your favorable response to this letter.

Sincerely,

J. R. Munley /d Rev. John R. Manley

Board President

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Board Vice President