## February 21, 2007

## PETITION TO TOWN COUNCIL OF CHAPEL HILL NORTH CAROLINA

The property-homeowners on Christopher Road, Chapel Hill request that the Town of Chapel Hill and the North Carolina Department of Transportationaddress the situation of loud noise and automobile pollution created because of heavy constant traffic on the 15/501 Bypass (also known as North Fordham Blvd).

Christopher Road runs parallel to the 15/501 Bypass on the west side. There are eighteen (18) homes on the west side of the Bypass and as property owners the value of our property is adversely affected by the noise and pollution generated by the heavy traffic. Additionally the ability of families to enjoy their yards is diminished.

The east side of the 15/501 Bypass has an almost continuous landscape buffer for the homes on that side. While on the west side of the Bypass there are a few low bushes and deciduous trees, which provide no noise or pollution abatement. We believe that a buffer of evergreen landscape plantings would assist in mitigating the considerable noise and pollution, and decrease the visual impact of the non-stop traffic.

The traffic on the 15/91 Bypass continues to increase and, therefore, we are requesting action now to reduce the impact created by the traffic. There are other homes in the Greenwood neighborhood adversely affected by the noise and pollution created by the heavy traffic on the 15/501 Bypass so that a landscape buffer would benefit more than the property owners on Christopher Road.

We, therefore, request that appropriate landscape plantings be established to provide height and width year around to create a buffer along the entire of Christopher Road. [Specifically from south of Estes Road continuing to the light at the exit to Raleigh Road and the UNC campus.]

We appreciate the Town Council giving this petition immediate consideration.

Thanb you.

Attached: Petition Signed by Homeowners

Submitted on behalf of Residents by Sheik D. Creth 904 ChRIStopher Rd Chapel HIII, NC 27514 919 968 8037

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## Email responses received from Greenwood Neighborhood Homeowners

When we first moved to Greenwood in 1994, we lived on Christopher Road. I called the town and tried to engage in discussions about a similar planting on our side of the highway, but was told the buffer was a "one time deal" made possible by a private donation.

We are thrilled to know that funds may be available now--Youhave our full support.

Marty and Tommy Mitchell 814 Old Mill Rd

It would benefit all now to have some buffer on the Christopher Rd. side of the highway. Excellent ideawill support

Joan Poole Holbrook 757 Old Mill Rd.

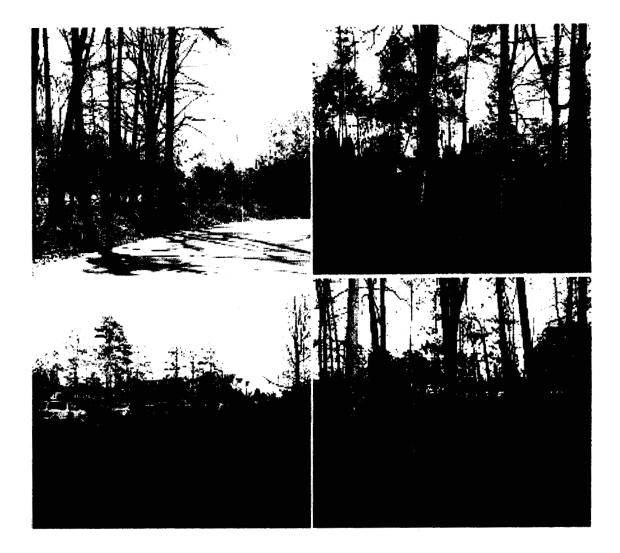
I also support adding a landscaping buffer along Christopher Road.

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Buffer Along Christopher Road & ByPass

Date:2/17/2007 4:36:54 PM Eastern Standard TimeFrom:shkey@mindspring.com

GReat idea -- I have always wondered why the other side of the By-pass was "treated" with the buffer. I do support your petition and think it is very appropriate. susanne



- Photo #1 from Christopher Road toward stoplight & exit Onto Raleigh Road
- Photo #2 from Christopher Road across the Bypass with Leyland Cypress on east side
- Photo #3 traffic backed up on Bypass from stop light
- Photo #4 from Christopher Road toward Bypass lack of Buffer with deciduous trees



- Photo #1 commercial traffic is frequent on 15/501 Bypass landscape buffer on east side and none on west side (Christopher Road).
- Photo #2 view of Bypass from Christopher Road showing dense Landscape buffer on east side.
- Photo #3 View north on Christopher Road (that has minimal traffic) Showing open to traffic on Bypass.
- Photo #4 View north on Christopher Road & Bypass landscape Buffer on east side of Bypass is visible.