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The Mayor and Council
Town of Chapel Hill
405 Martin Luther King Boulevard
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Mayor and Members of the Council,

**A PETITION IN REGARD TO CERTAIN BUILDINGS OWNED BY THE TOWN OF
CHAPEL HILL**

The Citizens Subcommittee of the Budget Review Advisory Committee recommended that Council should consider either selling one of the three buildings that the Town does not use as well as other actions to mitigate the expense to the taxpayers of Chapel Hill of these facilities. A key element in the Manager's response to this proposal was the statement that any or all of these buildings might be required in the near future to accommodate Town employees and other Town functions. No analysis was offered to support this assertion.

I, together with other members of the Subcommittee, Jill Ridky-Blackburn, Gene Pease, Aaron Nelson, Joe Capowski and Alan Rimer, believing that decisions should, so far as possible, be based on as much information as possible, now petition the Mayor and Council to request the Manager to prepare, for each year, 1999 through 2005, a tabulation of those Town employees who have needed office space, by department and location and to prepare, for the next 10 years, estimates of the increased office staff on the same basis and the changing functional needs of the Town and how each of the three buildings might be needed to accommodate these identified space needs.

We believe such an analysis will be helpful to Council, in deciding policy for the buildings.

Respectfully submitted,

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