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September 15, 2005

City Council Members  
Town of Chapel Hill  
Town Hall  
405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Dear City Council Members,

We write this letter to you out of fervent concern and emphatic opposition to the potential connector road between Larkspur and the future Chapel Hill Watch development.

Our family of five (including three children, ages 5, 2.5, and 1), lives on the second lot near the entrance to the Larkspur neighborhood and we are opposed to the CHW connector. Since moving to the Larkspur neighborhood in May 2004, we have been concerned about the vehicular speeds traveled on Weaver Dairy Road Extension. In fact, to satisfy our curiosity, we purchased a radar gun and have tracked vehicles going more than 70 MPH at the intersection of Weaver Dairy Road Extension and Old Larkspur. While we have noticed that the local police have more vigilantly patrolled the area, the excessive speeding continues at all times of the day, more so in early morning (7:00am –8:30am) and early evening (4:30pm – 6:00pm) when people travel to and from work as well as during the hour after the high schools let out for the day (3:00pm – 4:00pm).

Our neighborhood consists of 86 lots and a road structure built to sustain the vehicular travel for 86 families. The roads were not created to sustain countless travelers seeking to bypass stoplights and save road time getting to their respective destinations. Consider that in the existing 38 lots occupied by families, the children in these households number over 110 with the majority under the age of 12. Additional vehicular traffic, including transit busses, will greatly decrease the safety factor for the many children and families living in the neighborhood as well as add to the existing [speeding] traffic already utilizing Weaver Dairy Road Extension as a connector from Martin Luther King Blvd. to Homestead Road (and vice versa).

In consideration of the safety, welfare, and wellbeing of not only our children, but those of our neighbors and friends, we do NOT support the connector road. If such a road happens, the neighborhood will face peril on a daily basis and rather than a connector road, we will have a "death trap". We encourage the Council to strongly consider our opposition and that of our fellow Larkspur residents.

**NO CONNECTOR PLEASE.**

Sincerely,

9/26/2005

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Karen & Jon DeHart

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