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To the Department of Planning and Building Staff,

I, Kristine Henderson, am writing this letter to voice my opinion about a proposed project from Collective Hotels and Retreats, Inc. The company is proposing a project that will impact the entire community of residents that live on Pine Mountain Road in Cloverdale, not just the nearest neighbors, Roger and Kate Schafer. My young boys are the grandchildren of Kate and Roger. I am personally attached to their Pine Mountain property and know how hard Roger and Kate have worked to acquire and maintain their family home. I am concerned about an out of state company developing the adjacent unincorporated area, for profit.

I moved to Sonoma county when Kate and Roger bought their Pine Mountain home. My husband and I were the caretakers of the property until we bought our first home in Santa Rosa. I have found an area that I love living in. I am drawn to the proximity of city life and the old country roads that take you on a Sunday drive, any day of the week. Sonoma county is so beautifully situated, lying at the foothills of rugged Mendocino county. The area is stunning in so many ways. What most people have bought into, in this precious North Bay real estate market, is the privacy. North bay residents appreciate not having to live in heavily populated, commercial zones. We have the luxury of choosing when we want to immerse ourselves in social, commercial events. Sonoma and Mendocino counties have done an excellent job of controlling urban sprawl and keeping businesses out of resident's back yards. The proposed project will be building a parking lot in the Shafer's back yard. Every resident traveling up Pine mountain Road will be subjected to delivery truck serving the proposed "retreat". Allowing a hospitality firm to develop a pocket of Pine Mountain road will increase traffic for residents, increase noise and light pollution, and most importantly, add to the fire risk we all face. Considering the recent fire disaster, fire safety is my primary concern.

Development shouldn't come at the expense of the local residents. Most of the people that live in the north bay believe in this attitude and appreciate that the northern California counties make an effort to respect that idea.

Please, before approving this project proposed by an out of state hospitality firm consider the following questions.....

- -How many fire hydrants will be installed to protect the buildings and neighbors property?
- -Will there be improvements made to the road to ensure drivers safety?
- -Think about how many resident's privacy you will be impacting.
- -Consider how many people you are inviting to exploit Pine Mountain of Cloverdale
- -Take a drive up Pine Mountain road in a delivery truck.

Thank you, Kristine

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