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To whom it may concern,

When we decided to move to FL in 2022, we made an important list of "must have" features that our future home should have. We did not want to compromise on the inclusion of any of the "must have" items because we believed this would be our final home purchase. Having the property overlook a natural setting was one such "must have" on our list. Raysa took on the huge task of finding some properties that checked off all the "must haves", and we were lucky enough to find our current home at 8390 Lake Hill Ct.

Changing the zoning on the land behind our home from AR-2 to PDP(GC) and PDP(SF) would completely eliminate what is one of the finest features of our home: the beautiful back yard that's bounded only by nature. Once we saw it, we knew we had found our home.

To eliminate that feature of our home is to eliminate the feature that drew us there in the first place. It was so difficult to find, and it would be a shame for it to be gone so shortly after our purchase. Virtually every day of the week, we enjoy the beautiful views

of nature from our backyard. Among the trees and bushes just beyond our yard, we have seen gopher tortoises, rabbits, coyotes, and wild turkeys and numerous other species who also call this small, wooded area home. For the peace and safety of us all, please reconsider this proposed zoning change.

Sincerely yours,

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To the Zoning Department,

I attended the June 9th zoning hearing regarding File Number H-25-01 and took the opportunity to speak about the alarming traffic conditions on County Line Road and the serious environmental impact this development will bring. I fully understand that development is inevitable—but what I strongly object to is the lack of thoughtful, proactive planning from the county when it comes to these large-scale projects.

It's no secret that Hernando County has been trying for years to transfer jurisdiction of County Line Road to the state, but those efforts have been unsuccessful, leaving the road in what's still referred to as "yellow." What's more concerning is learning that essential infrastructure—such as fire departments—has not even been allocated for these expansive developments.

Where is the common sense? In many counties across the country, developers are required to share the burden of infrastructure. They must install turn lanes, additional road capacity that aligns with future highway plans, and even contribute to—or build—fire stations when developments exceed a certain size. That's just responsible planning, especially in a disaster-prone state like Florida.

Unfortunately, at the hearing, I was not permitted to offer rebuttal after my three minutes. So I'll offer it here. A representative for the zoning request stated that residents of this new community could make left turns onto County Line Road either from the new development's entrance or via Suncoast Blvd. That suggestion is not only naive—it's dangerous. It makes no difference what road you use to take a left onto County Line; it's a daily hazard.

Currently, residents in Rainbow Hills Estates cut through neighboring subdivisions just to reach Waterfall Road and access a traffic light. But even that is no solution—Waterfall is a narrow two-lane road with an inadequate turn lane. Drivers impatiently swerve onto the shoulder to pass left-turning vehicles, often without slowing down. This is already a recipe for disaster, and we haven't even added the volume from the proposed development.

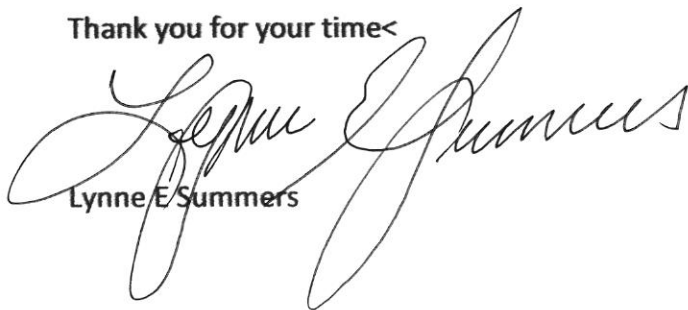
It was also mentioned that a portion of the undeveloped dirt road, "Pot of Gold," will be paved to the east. Even if the developer attempts to block access through the remaining undeveloped

section, people will find a way through. We already see drivers going off-road to bypass traffic—they won't hesitate to go around a blockade.

Without Hernando County taking a lead role in planning critical infrastructure, we are paving the way to chaos. Traffic collisions, delayed emergency responses, and preventable tragedies will follow. It doesn't have to be this way. With real planning and true partnerships—where developers contribute to the infrastructure they benefit from—growth can happen in a responsible, community-first manner.

Let's not wait for a catastrophe to act. Let's plan like our safety depends on it—because it does.

Thank you for your time<

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynne E. Summers'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Lynne' being more prominent and the last name 'Summers' following in a similar style. The signature is written over the printed name 'Lynne E. Summers'.

Lynne E. Summers