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Good Morning,

For the record.

Thank you,



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Subject:

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Dear Board Members,

I want to start by sincerely thanking you for everything you've been doing for Heritage Oaks and for the broader Port St Lucie community. We truly appreciate the time, energy, and attention you've given to this issue.

That said, we are still very concerned about the lack of clarity from the applicant regarding what is actually planned for this property. At this point, we don't have real answers, and the possibility of something as large as a Walmart, drive-through business, or gas station right next to our neighborhood is very unsettling for many of us.

We're also struggling with the idea that the proposed "privacy solution" is just a 12-foot tall row of oak trees. It's hard to see how that will provide meaningful screening from what could end up being a very large structure and loud neighbors. For many residents, it feels like we would be left living right up against a long, imposing wall for years to come since oaks are slow growers.

This isn't just about a business being built next to us—it's about a business that will be directly connected to our community. Because of that, a much more thoughtful and dense buffer isn't just preferred, it's really necessary. What we're asking for is something more natural and intentional—a layered, diverse buffer with native trees like oaks, pines, cabbage palms and shrubs. A mix like that would feel more like a living landscape, not just a row of trees placed as a barrier. It would provide real privacy, support wildlife, and create a much more peaceful transition between the neighborhood and whatever is built next door.

For us, this isn't just about landscaping—it's about how it will feel to live here every day. It's about having a sense of peace in our homes and knowing that our community was truly considered and respected in the process.

We're asking that the applicant be held to a higher standard—one that reflects the reality of building right up against an established residential neighborhood. This is about protecting the character of Heritage Oaks and the quality of life of the families who live here.

Thank you again for listening and for standing with the community. It really does mean a lot to us.

Sincerely,
Adriana Domingues

Please find attached a more thoughtful and neighborly thing to do in regards to how we want the place to look





