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Dear Chairman Hurd and members of the Select Board,

There is a dangerous situation caused by development activities at the Toraya block at 882-892 Massachusetts Avenue. I walked to the Heights along the Avenue past that construction or destruction site owned, I believe by Pasciuto, on Tuesday morning. I almost fell on the uncleared icy sidewalk in front of the site. The only alternative was to try to walk on the busy street which I did not want to risk. That sidewalk was the only uncleared sidewalk on the entire stretch of Massachusetts Av. on which I walked. This is an accident waiting to happen and is typical of the lack of interest in these situations shown by the Arlington Redevelopment Board appointees and hires of the Town Manager who are bringing blight, destruction, and despair to businesses and residents in Arlington's naturally affordable premises in the absentee Manager's apparent pursuit of gentrification in Arlington violating many Arlington Zoning Bylaws.

Since winter is coming please ensure that proper sidewalk clearing of ice and snow is done in the days ahead. Perhaps Mr. Hurd, who may have personal connections with Mr. Pasciuto, could ask him to address this situation of great importance for the safety of pedestrians at this busy Arlington High School area.

With All Good Wishes for the Christmas Season,

Patricia

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