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Dear Arlington Redevelopment Board Members,

I object to all Articles that increase the density of Arlington.

The proposed development do not benefit our already dense urbanesque community. They will create only more congested that profits the few at the expense of the community as a whole. Rush hour traffic is a serious problem currently and over the past decade. For example, look at Park Street, Pleasant Street, and Lake Street (where pedestrians and cyclists are crossing without the benefit of a traffic light. Why is that ignored?

Moreover, parking is a major problem for our residents who are renters. And overnight on street parking is illegal. Currently, Laura Kiesel is addressing is addressing on street expectations as a hardship issue (see Article 79). Furthermore, the development is supposed to be for affordable housing. I did not hear that offered as a priority. The new building on Mass Ave near Arlington High School is charging \$3000 a month for a two bedroom apartment.

This proposed development is bad for Arlington. We have a density problem unlike Belmont, Lexington, and Winchester. I don't want our community to look more like Cambridge or Somerville.

Sincerely,
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