

July 13, 2020

To: The Martha's Vineyard Commission

From: John Ives Greely

I am writing to tell you why I object to the proposed expansion of the Hob Knob Inn at 128 Upper Main Street and Skip Tomassian's home at 124 Upper Main Street

Our long history of being in the neighborhood deserves consideration, as I don't feel this proposed expansion considers the abutters property values, given that the new parking lot would be about fifteen feet from the side of our house at 9 Tilton Way, and trash will suddenly border our property line, all 3 bedrooms, and the living room in our house. As the Hob Knob exists currently, the trash pickup and food deliveries create significant noise. The parking lot is across from us, and the trash dumpsters are at the back end of the parking lot, which is much further away than the new proposed location. We are already unhappy with the noise, as it is. The garbage trucks do wake us up, when they come early in the morning, multiple times a week. Doubling the size of the inn is far beyond the scope of the neighborhood. The doubled guest traffic and increased deliveries and garbage pickups would be way too much.

Our house is used often, and our history in Edgartown runs deep. Please consider my concerns and the concerns of my brother Grant Greely and my sister Maggie Greely Boris, and other neighbors who are opposed to this project. The Hob Knob expansion project will forever harm the landscape of the quaint village of Edgartown. Please consider saving our Historic District, and look to the guidelines of what the Historic District suggests, before making your decision, as the current project does not follow those guidelines.

Thank you for your consideration.

John Ives Greely