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Planning Board
Box 278
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Subject: Opposition to Special Permit Request for special permit from Paul, James & Charles Bangs to create homesite lots on 101 Old Coach Road

Dear Members of the Planning Board,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the application for subdivision approval at 101 Old Coach Road. As a concerned resident and advocate for the safety and well-being of our community, I firmly believe that approving this subdivision would pose significant risks and concerns, particularly regarding the safety of children walking to the bus stop, pet owners walking their animals, and the already burdensome traffic and delivery truck congestion in our neighborhood.

First and foremost, the safety of our children should be a top priority. The proposed subdivision would inevitably increase the number of vehicles using our roads, which would heighten the risk for accidents and potential harm to children walking to and from the bus stop. Our neighborhood should be a safe haven for our youngsters, free from unnecessary hazards. Furthermore, pet owners in our community greatly value the ability to walk their animals in a peaceful and secure environment. With the potential influx of additional vehicles and the

resulting rise in traffic, this serenity would be significantly compromised. The increased noise, pollution, and potential conflicts between vehicles and pedestrians would create an unsafe atmosphere.

Moreover, our neighborhood is already grappling with heavy traffic and delivery truck congestion. The roads are simply not equipped to handle any further strain on the existing infrastructure. Adding more vehicles through this proposed subdivision would only exacerbate the problem, leading to longer commuting times, increased frustration, and compromised emergency response times.

I implore the Planning Board to carefully consider the long-term consequences of approving this subdivision application. Our community's safety, tranquility, and quality of life hang in the balance. I urge you to prioritize the well-being of our children, pet owners, and all residents by rejecting this application.

Thank you for considering my concerns and taking the time to review my opposition. I trust that you will make a thoughtful and informed decision in the best interest of our neighborhood and its residents.

Sincerely,

Michelle Brescia & Craig Miner