

March 1st, 2021

To: The East Hampton Planning & Zoning Commission

RE: **Objection** to Agenda Item 5.b: Application PZC-20-026: Long Hill Estates, LLC. for a Zone Change from R-2 to C

This is to confirm that as abutters we are in opposition to a zone change from R-2 to C (Application PZC-20-026) for Map 06/ Block 12/ Lot 8, as stated in the legal notice published Friday January 29, 2021 in the *Rivereast News*. Your written notice to us of this application identified the property as 53 Long Hill Road.

The property is located within the Middle Haddam Historic District (MHHD), portions of which are also a National Register Historic District. The formation of the MHHD was a painstaking process that spanned several years and resulted in a comprehensive and meaningful district that has functioned for nearly 50 years to prevent incompatible development and commercial intrusion of this nature.

Any attempt to change zoning that would compromise the district's integrity, as established, is unacceptable and precedent-setting. The historic character of the Village of Middle Haddam is worth preserving as a taxable asset for the Town of East Hampton. Please deny Application PZC-20-026.

PLEASE MAKE THIS LETTER PART OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF TONIGHT'S MEETING, AND ANY SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS REGARDING THIS APPLICATION.

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