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To Whom It May Concern,

We are writing this letter in strong opposition to the Discretionary Use approval APPLICATION - PL 4355 D28/19, by Roberta Delos REYES, which will be a topic considered at a Public Hearing tonight (Monday, January 27, 2020).

Ours is the closest home in proximity to the sight of the proposed larger Child Care Center; the entire length of our property line is shared with the sight, and therefore the residence that will be most adversely affected by the adjacent daycare being allowed to greatly increase in capacity from the current amount of clientele to the level of clientele proposed in the application.

As it stands now, the home-based daycare's current running capacity makes for a busy corner, and busier neighborhood in general. Every morning, vehicles begin pulling up; it's been as early as 5:28 am. And for each and every vehicle, there is a minimum of three car doors opening and slamming shut before the car drives off again, (this is in the case of one child per vehicle-more car door slams if there are multiple kids per vehicle). More early mornings than not, we are woken up by the morning series of cars pulling up, idling, and car doors banging .This continues over most of the morning, tapering off for a while until early to late afternoon, when the vehicles start returning to pick up their children again, and as late as five to six pm.

Another result of living next to a business, which is already posing an issue with the CURRENT amount of clientele, is sometimes we return home to multiple daycare clients parked along the street impeding our ability to park our own vehicles. The street is a narrower one, so we end up having to drive around the block, sometimes twice, waiting for a spot to become available near our residence. This never happens without it being the daycare's clients parked out on the street picking up or dropping off.

I would also like to address another issue that is a negative factor in the normal enjoyment of the outdoor portion of our property. Over the course of the day, shouting from the caregiver/s are common and over the whole day. The shouting isn't in a mean way, more of a way of communicating with multiple children throughout an outdoor area. It is very loud, and unpleasant, and very frequent over the day; some days I would consider it to be fairly constant any time that the kids are outside, which is a good portion of every single day (weather permitting). We like to spend time in our yard as well, but this seemingly constant hollering some days makes us want to go inside, although we also hear it inside. We have been tolerant and have just accepted it as it is. HOWEVER, this factor would become extreme with an addition of MORE clients with the expansion of the current home daycare to a higher capacity Child Care Center. I feel that it would be impeding on a reasonable level of the enjoyment of our own property.

It's needless to mention that when we paid for our lot to have our first new house built on it, we would NEVER have chosen this lot if we knew that someone would want to put a business next door. We would NOT have made the huge investment in the lot and then the house, knowing that we are losing a HUGE pool of potential future home buyers if we were to sell some day. It is obvious to anyone that drives down our street, or anyone that visits our home, that there is a business going on next door. There is obvious signage on the property changing the feeling of a nice residential neighborhood to a business district.

Are we HAPPY about a business running right next door to our residence?? NO, but WE HAVE ACCEPTED THE CURRENT LEVEL of grief that it has caused us since it started up. Parking problems, the early morning

vehicles waking us up, the excessive shouting over the course of the whole day, the undoubted decreased resale value due to the obvious business flanking our property, all the way down to the 100 watt light bulb that lights up the daycare entrance, both yards and also floods our master bedroom all night, every night. With the ability to expand and have twice as many clients, all these factors will exacerbate two-fold. This is above and beyond what any neighbors should be expected to have to accept.

We also own a business, (seasonal), and could save on such a huge expense if we could keep some of the business supplies and equipment on our own property instead of paying to keep it at a separate location from our residence. I would also enjoy keeping a few chickens in our yard!! Unfortunately, there are limitations to living in a RESIDENTIAL neighborhood. Residents owe it to the other residents in their neighborhood to help keep it livable for everyone who wants to enjoy their property to some degree, and not be caused undue negative impact on their lives, and homes' resale values. Our property is the only property that is touching the property in question, therefore has the most to lose by the business being expanded to a higher number of clients. It's not like one of two neighboring businesses wanting to expand, it's a business wanting to EXPAND in a residential neighborhood.

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We STRONGLY oppose this application for DISCRETIONARY USE.

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