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Sincerely,



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Title: RN Mercy Employee
Address:
City, State Zip:

S. Sholkar
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Sacramento CA 95835

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TITLE: RN

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CITY: Rancho Cordova, Ca

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NAME: Celestina Hunter
 TITLE: RN
 ADDRESS: 4001 J Street
 CITY: Sacto. CA

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Sincerely,

NAME *Samantha Privett*
TITLE *Employee*
ADDRESS *2221 North Ave*
CITY, STATE ZIP *Sacto CA 95838*

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Sincerely,

NAME Virginia L. Cassells 
TITLE EVS Housekeeper
ADDRESS 3940 73rd Street
CITY, STATE ZIP Sacto, Ca. 95820

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Name:

Jennifer Lee

Title:

Mercy Employee

Address:

3740 Kings Way

City, State Zip:

Sacramento, CA 95821

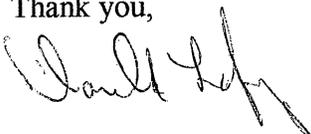
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10-22-2007

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608 San Miguel Way
Sacramento, CA 95819

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Dear Council Member McCarty:

We are writing in support of the combined Mercy General Hospital/Sacred Heart School project in East Sacramento. Both of these institutions are essential to our family and important to our community. My father had several successful heart surgeries at Mercy General, procedures that years ago were only available to him at Stanford University. I delivered our second child at Mercy General in December 1996. And both of our children continue to receive excellent care at Mercy Med Clinic on Alhambra Boulevard. We are active parishioners at Sacred Heart Church, and we have a 9-year relationship with Sacred Heart School where our children are now in 5th and 8th grade.

In our mind, it makes sense to combine the two projects, work collaboratively on the design and construction, and work cooperatively to address issues that **all** urban residential areas in the world face - density, traffic, noise. In keeping with the SACOG Blueprint, this project should be embraced as a mixed use model adjacent to public transportation (RT route and Light Rail a short distance away), accessible to several freeways (Hwy. 50, Hwy. 99, I-80, I-5), and connected to an existing utility infrastructure. It would be a shame to banish a 100+ year old hospital and 40+ year old elementary school to an undeveloped suburban area simply to avoid issues that Sacramento will be wrestling with for years to come. Several great cities, including San Diego, Portland and Seattle, feature prominent hospital districts in the central city. Combining healing and teaching in East Sacramento has proven to enrich the neighborhood.

We fully support the combined project going forward to the Sacramento City Planning Commission and, ultimately, to the Sacramento City Council. While our children are unlikely to benefit from a new school according to the project timeline, we feel strongly that this project is important to future Sacred Heart school children and Mercy General patients.

Sincerely,

Susan & Tom DeMarois

Susan and Tom DeMarois
450 Messina Drive
Sacramento, CA 95819
(916) 455-5862

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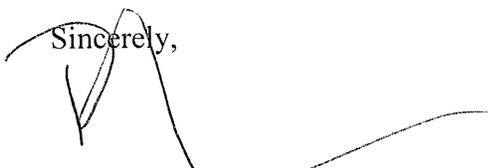
October 5, 2007

Dear Ms. Fargo and City Council Members,

I am a Sacred Heart Parish School parent who respectfully requests your support of the Mercy General Hospital Alex G. Spanos Heart Center and Sacred Heart Parish School development project. Not only am I parent of a Sacred Heart student, I am also a resident of East Sacramento. While our more than 75 year-old school holds a great deal of nostalgia, a safe and positive learning environment is our priority. With this revised project, Sacred Heart School would be moved across the street where a new, two-story facility would be built. A self-contained campus, our children will be able to learn in a safe environment removed from the hospital. Additionally, the students will enjoy a grass playing field for the first time. The community would benefit from the development with increased quality health care and state of the art technology.

I strongly support this project and urge you to do the same.

Sincerely,



Debby Niethammer
1200 46th Street
Sacramento, CA 95819

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NAME: Beth Powers
 TITLE: RU @ MGH
 ADDRESS: 3114 Gateway Drive
 CITY: Cameron Park CA 95682

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NAME:

TITLE:

ADDRESS:

CITY:

Karen Smith
RD C Mott
8051 Mystros Circle
Eureka, CA 95624

Oct, 16, 2007 1C45

cc: All CM's

jw

Dear Mayor Fargo,

I am a mid town resident (22nd Street) and a Mercy Heart Center patient who strongly supports the Mercy Hospital Alex G. Spanos heart center and Sacred Heart Parish School project.

I think the way Mercy has worked with the community it serves (and resides) shows that they heard the concerns of the school/community.... they are and will continue to be good neighbors! The concerns of all citizens of Sacramento need to be heard when plans for new buildings etc. are considered. Sacramento needs to continue to attract quality health care services while making the neighborhoods more walkable through smart planning such as this project.

Please count me as a real strong supporter of this project.

Sincerely

Richard C. Melendy

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Sacramento CA 95816

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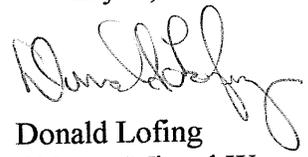
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NAME:
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Susan Popp
RN
1438 Perkins Way
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Sincerely,

NAME *Debara Patton*
TITLE *EVS Tech*
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CITY, STATE ZIP *N Highlands Ca. 95660*

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From: "Francis Story" <francis_story@msn.com>
To: <scohn@cityofsacramento.org>
CC: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 9:33 AM 11/19/2007
Subject: DO SUPPORT MERCY GENERAL EXPANSION PROJECT

Dear Mr. Cohn:

I support the improvement proposal for Mercy General and recommend approval at the Council meeting November 27.

The improvements to the hospital and to Sacred Heart School will provide long term viability to these important community assets.

Regards,

Francis Story
50 Aiken Way
Sacramento, CA 95819

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From: Susan Mendez <skmendez@comcast.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 9:28 PM 11/18/2007
Subject: Mercy Expansion

I strongly object to the expansion of Mercy hospital at its present site. It is located in a residential area already heavily impacted by traffic, pollution and noise. CHW has the financial backing to build a cardiac center at one of its other land locations where there will not be a severe impact a small neighborhood. Unlike Sutter Hospitals expansion, which occurred in a business district, this expansion effects housing prices and the safety of neighbors. CHW has the resources to build elsewhere. CHW initial plan was far to large and even though it has been modified this project remains far too large and intrusive for East Sacramento. This predominant issue is safety on the neighboring streets. CHW is placing the convenience of its employees above the welfare of the neighborhood. CHW now has a major public relations operation if full mode. They are advertising in all the local magazines and placing bill boards. They are a multi-billion dollar company and have the financial capabilities that a small neighborhood lacks. I hope you take this into consideration. Mercy owns property else where which is more feasible for this heart center. I strongly support a heart center being built but not in East Sacramento where the streets are narrow and we are already feeling the impact of traffic congestion and pollution.

Sincerely,
Susan Mendez

East Sacramento resident

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From: Carol Purin <cpurin@sbcglobal.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
CC: <scohn@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 8:40 PM 11/18/2007
Subject: support for Mercy

Honorable Mayor and Councilman, I wish to go on record as supporting the Mercy expansion plan as it now stands. I would like our city to be a leader in cardiac care, and believe this would be the case if we can approve Mercy plans. I get annoyed with the few vocal citizes who frequently stymy growth in the city. Please, let this plan go forward.

Thank you. Carol Purin, East Sacramento resident

Carol A. Purin
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Sacramento, Ca 95816
(916) 457-4826

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From: "Pamela Parker" <plpsac@comcast.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 2:30 PM 11/18/2007
Subject: PLEASE DO NOT APPROVE THE MERCY EXPANSION PROJECT!!

Dear Mayor Fargo:

I am writing to let you, and all the City Council members know that I am totally opposed to the current Mercy Hospital/Sacred Heart School proposal. I am opposed to Mercy expanding its footprint further into our established East Sacramento neighborhoods, when it has other viable sites for this project which would not encroach upon long-standing residential neighborhoods. There are alternatives that need to be considered with all affected parties at the table to create solutions. Mercy and Sacred Heart have left the neighborhood/neighborhood groups out of all pertinent discussions regarding this project.

Please do not be swayed by the money and power that Mercy yields as the richest hospital in our state. Once the character and integrity of these East Sacramento neighborhoods is compromised, it will never be the same. I expect you to defend our neighborhoods and communities from further hospital encroachment, increased traffic in an area that is already bogged down in traffic, and destruction of residential properties and trees. It is predicted that this project could take upwards of 7 years of construction, including noise and air pollution throughout that time, and forced traffic patterns throughout side streets of East Sacramento due to H, J, Folsom, Alhambra and 39th Streets already being at their capacity and over.

Please put an end to this current project proposal. Thank you for your careful consideration.

Kind regards,

Pam Parker
247 40th Street
Sacramento, CA 95819

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From: Sylvia Morrow <svanderspek@sbcglobal.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <scohn@cityofsacramento.org>, <bpannell@c...>
Date: 1:30 PM 11/18/2007
Subject: Mercy Expansion

I live in the McKinley park neighborhood and deal with the traffic on H street everyday. However, the traffic is not due to Mercy, it is due to through traffic from the Sac State area. I

I feel lucky to have one of the best heart medical facilities so close to my home. Mercy has worked very hard to come up with a compromise for everyone. I support their current plan. Their opposition will only be happy if there is no expansion. I don't want Mercy's heart program to move to another location. Please vote in favor of Mercy's current proposal.

Sylvia Zulawnick

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From: Vanessa Tamraz <suxblud@jps.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <scohn@cityofsacramento.org>, <bpannell@c...>
Date: 11:48 AM 11/18/2007
Subject: NO MERCY for EAST SAC RESIDENTS

ATTN SACRAMENTO REPRESENTATIVES:
PLEASE STATE YOUR POSITION (yay -or- nay) REGARDING THE PENDING MERCY
HOSPITAL EXPANSION PROJECT.

My name is Vanessa Tamraz, and I am one of the many thousands of East Sacramento residents currently opposing the Mercy Expansion Project. Because I will be personally & forever DIRECTLY AFFECTED by the project (I live at 39th and L street), I feel particularly justified in stating my opposition of the project, to each of you, for the following reason:

East Sacramento is a premier vintage neighborhood whose aesthetic & property value has nothing whatsoever to do with Mercy Hospital. Instead it has everything to do with conscientious & diligent families who live, work, play, conduct commerce, and maintain the integrity of our neighborhood for all who reside, visit, or commute through it. We also VOTE. And we voted for you.

The Mercy Expansion Project appears to be bullying it's way right into our laps.

The foot is too big & the shoe is too small.
When -o- when will common sense EVER prevail in this city?

I hear from my neighborhood opposition group (ESPT) all the time, but not from you. Where do you stand?

Thank you for your consideration and response,
~Vanessa Tamraz

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From: Robert Caplan <bcaplan2000@yahoo.com>
To: Steve Cohn <scohn@cityofsacramento.org>, heather fargo <hfargo@cityofsac...>
Date: 4:38 PM 11/17/2007
Subject: Mercy expansion

I would respectfully ask that you vote no for the mercy expansion as it is not in the best interest of the residential neighborhood. Besides destroying older homes, it will add more traffic to an area that already has difficulty with traffic. There will be many years of noise and construction. We only have to look at the Sutter construction to know what that will be like. The ESIA and other groups have offered an alternative that is more neighbor friendly. Catholic Health Care West doesn't care about the neighborhood and has funded a campaign that distorts what the neighborhood wants. Do not agree to a project which will diminish our neighborhood. Please vote no on this issue.

Respectfully,
Robert and Carole Caplan

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From: <esptfneighbors@aol.com>
To: <esptfneighbors@aol.com>
Date: 3:13 PM 11/17/2007
Subject: Last Chance for Neighborhood Preservation - City Council Meeting Nov 27th 6pm

Join your 2200 Neighbors who have signed petitions defending our residential neighborhood against the negative impacts of the proposed Mercy/CHW Expansion Plan. We say stand up for the neighborhood and the livability of East Sacramento - Attend the final City Council meeting the Tuesday after Thanksgiving 11/27 at 6pm. Check in at our Neighborhood table.

Remember these important facts:

* the Boards of the three East Sacramento Neighborhood groups (MENA, ESIA, and ESPTF) have voted to support the Neighborhood Friendly Alternative which is a WIN-WIN-WIN Compromise. It gives a new school on its current site; community greenspace and a School Playground; a new Mercy Hospital health care building; and the preservation of neighborhood vintage homes and mature trees.

*On 11/14/07 new seismic safety standards for hospitals were issued - extending the seismic retrofit deadline out to 2030. Area Hospitals, such as Mercy, are no longer "pressured" to retrofit - the State standards have been relaxed. Mercy now has time to more fully consider a neighborhood friendly alternative. Read more....

<http://www.bizjournals.com/sacramento/othercities/losangeles/stories/2007/11/12/daily24.html>

*We are continuing to meet with the City-wide neighborhood groups, Boulevard Park, Sierra Curtis Park, Southside Park, Elmhurst, Oak Park, Woodlake, Alkalai/Mansion Flats, and Meadowview, who have common interests with East Sacramento and also support neighborhood preservation and mitigation of traffic impacts on our residential streets. Many support the neighborhood Alternative and are asking their Councilmember to consider an alternative to Mercy's Project.

*We don't accept the City staff's cursory and rushed analysis of the neighborhood friendly alternative and we have submitted a Neighborhood Response to the City. This compromise is worth another look. Mercy's representatives say the neighborhood was not included in the deal because we had nothing to offer - Mercy is wrong. The neighborhood groups are in fact worthy stakeholders and should have been included. It is not too late - all parties should be at the table considering a COMPROMISE alternative!

*Mercy offers a defined boundary agreement - but even the SH School Attorney when asked on 11/7/07, if it was "enforceable" answered, "No, I don't know that it can." So what are the neighborhood assurances? Seventeen vintage residential units are falling victim to a third wave of Mercy expansion in 2007. When will we see the 4th and 5th waves of Mercy expansion? Tell the City Council - not to be fooled by Mercy's promises.

*The City did not adequately assess the cumulative traffic impacts in the EIR - if you have any doubts about how traffic will impact East Sacramento cumulatively- consider the proposed impact of the C Street Business Park major modification on Elvas and C Streets (PO7-138) where 86,280 square feet of warehouse use is being converted into office space equaling 319,220 sq feet of office use and 85,107 square feet of warehouse use on the Cannery site. And of course the former Centrage site is also being contemplated for future development connecting to the Cannery site into the East Sacramento community.

How can the City Council and our Council representative sign off on projects which diminish the livability of our vibrant vintage neighborhoods? IT IS TIME TO ASK!

Questions? Contact ESPTF at esptfneighbors@aol.com or call 215-7141

East Sacramento Preservation Task Force
Preserving The Homes, Trees & Character
Of The East Sacramento Neighborhood

LAST CHANCE!

to make our voices heard on the Mercy Hospital expansion

FINAL City Council meeting

Tues. November 27th at 6 p.m.

915 I Street, New City Hall

The City Council's final meeting on the fate of East Sacramento must be filled with concerned neighbors. This is our last chance to be heard. Join over 2,000 petitioners. Mercy has launched a well-funded media campaign, but they can't hide the facts.

Speak up! Fight to protect our neighborhood and help stop:

- Destruction of Vintage Homes
- 1,000 more vehicles per day on H, J and 39th streets
- Seven years of construction, noise, and pollution
- Demolition of Urban Tree Canopy

Ask the City Council to join the East Sac neighborhood groups (ESIA, MENA & ESPTF) in support of the "neighborhood friendly" Alternative.

NO MORE BROKEN PROMISES, we need "binding neighborhood assurances!"

Please! Write, call or email the City Council members:

Mayor Heather Fargo—808-5300	hfargo@cityofsacramento.org
Councilmember Steve Cohn—808-7003	scohn@cityofsacramento.org
Councilmember Bonnie Pannell—808-7008	bpannell@cityofsacramento.org
Councilmember Kevin McCarty—808-7006	kmccarty@cityofsacramento.org
Councilmember Lauren Hammond—808-7005	lhammond@cityofsacramento.org
Councilmember Robbie Waters—808-7007	rwaters@cityofsacramento.org
Councilmember Sandy Sheedy—808-7002	ssheedy@cityofsacramento.org
Councilmember Ray Tretheway—808-7001	rtretheway@cityofsacramento.org

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From: Dave <dave@blueriver-i.com>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 4:05 PM 11/16/2007
Subject: Establishing a Heart Center

November 16, 2007

Dear Mayor Fargo and City Council Members,

I've been a midtown resident for 8 years and I want to urge your support for the new Heart Center at Mercy General Hospital plus a new school for Sacred Heart. It's important to live in an area where high quality health care is close by.

Establishing a Heart Center at Mercy General Hospital will add great value to the neighborhood for old and young alike.

Any group that's against the project is not speaking for me.

Dave Dolliver
1929 23rd Street, #2
Sacramento, CA
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From: <jorn555@aol.com>
To: <Sohn@cityofsacramento.org>
CC: <Hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <Bpannell@cityofsacramento.org>, <Kmccart...>
Date: 3:43 PM 11/16/2007
Subject: Mercy Expansion - Please review other alternatives

Dear Councilmember Steve Cohn and members of City Council:
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We are writing to you in regards to the current Mercy Hospital/Sacred Heart School proposal. As we are sure you, your staff and other Council members have been inundated with letters and comments, we feel we need to express our concerns as well.

We are a family of 3 who live a block from McKinley Park since 1999. We love our neighborhood. We recently invested over \$350k in renovation to our current home. We do not plan to move for a very long time. Ann grew up in the neighborhood since 1975, graduated from UC Davis (as well as Jorn with a doctorate) and have chosen this place as our home.

We feel having enough medical services nearby is very important. We also feel that our quality of life is also very important. Some of the essential ingredients that determine quality of life are our neighbors, traffic, safety, homes, and a healthy environment. We feel that although Mercy will be adding services to their business and providing care, the short term results will be the erosion of our quality of life and the reasons why we have chosen this place our home. If there are other alternatives, we need to explore them.

We do not need the added traffic and the destruction of homes. AND we definitely do not need the added pollution from vehicles. We ask that you, your staff and other members of council carefully review and explore other alternatives for the Mercy expansion. We feel that it is the right thing to do we look forward to your leadership role in this matter.

Sincerely,
Ann & Jorn
34th Street

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From: <kproven140@aol.com>
To: <Scohn@cityofsacramento.org>, <Hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <Bpannell@c...>
Date: 12:56 PM 11/16/2007
Subject: Oppose Mercy Hospital Expansion

As a 14 year resident of East Sacramento I am in strong opposition to the Mercy Hospital expansion. Their proposal changes the character of an established residential neighborhood, it increases traffic in an already congested area and goes against too many Sacramento regulations (number of trees in a parking lot, building set back, etc.).?

??????? Sacramento is already crowded, I feel that we have to be very careful about any changes in existing neighborhoods. We don't want anything to happen that will later be regretted. It is important for the future of Sacramento to preserve it's charm and keep it livable.

??????? Also, it is upsetting to me that non-residents of a neighborhood can determine the fate a residential neighborhood (e.g. Catholic Healthcare West, Mercy hospital employees and Sacred Heart parents). I feel at the mercy of a large corporation and wealthy private school parents. (One Sacred Heart parent couple, at a neighborhood soccer game, even admitted they would get what they want because of who they are.)

??? Please ask Mercy to consider other alternatives. My greatest objection is the destruction of single and multi family residences. If they left the homes on H and 39th streets as is, I would be much happier.

Thank? you for looking after Sacramento.

Sincerely,

Kathy Provenzano
601 San Antonio Way
Sacramento, CA 95819
916 731-5012

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From: "Kelly Brothers" <kelly@gfbbonline.com>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 11:03 AM 11/16/2007
Subject: Mercy Project
Attachments: Kelly Brothers.vcf; Mercy letter.doc

Heather,

I've attached a letter regarding the Mercy project for your consideration. I truly think this project will do wonders for East Sacramento long-term, and for all local residents. It's easy to "poo poo" a world-class cardiac center, until you NEED a world-class cardiac center.

Best wishes and Happy Thanksgiving!

Kelly Brothers

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November 5, 2007

Honorable Heather Fargo
Mayor
City of Sacramento

Dear Mayor Fargo,

I've had the unique opportunity of seeing Sacramento from a variety of vantage points and experiences in the many years that I've lived in this great city. As a life-long resident, I've seen the area change and mature, and as part of the media I've had the opportunity to see many of those changes from behind the scenes. Those experiences have enhanced my appreciation for Sacramento, for its people and neighborhoods and for the multi-faceted fabric that makes this a great city in which to live.

Healthcare is a tremendous part of our city's fabric. In fact, we have one of the best cardiac programs in the country, right in the heart of the city, at Mercy General Hospital. My father had a heart attack just 6 months ago, and his life was saved at Mercy. Our community is blessed to have such fine services available to us and we should support this extraordinary medical care. I've long been supportive of Mercy General Hospital's plans to build a modern heart center on its campus to ensure that they are continually able to provide such excellent heart care. As a Sacred Heart School alum and a long-time East Sacramento resident, however, I did have some reservations about how the project would impact the school and the neighborhood.

Today I am so pleased with the final project that the hospital and the school collaboratively are putting before the Sacramento City Council. A tremendous amount of time and effort has been put forth by these two organizations in creating a better plan *together*. That plan has been further enhanced and improved by the wealth of community input. The final result is a state-of-the-art medical facility, a modern and beautiful school site, the beautification of the neighborhood with complementary architecture and landscaping and the potential for an actual reduction in traffic with the hospital's free community shuttle.

The final package is a win-win-win for the community. Every neighborhood should be so lucky as to have a state-of-the-art cardiac care facility and a brand new 80 year-old school! I wholeheartedly encourage you to support this excellent project.

By the way Mayor, you look fantastic in the WEAVE calendar!

Sincerely,

Kelly Brothers

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From: "Peggy" <peggy.orr@comcast.net>
To: <Hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 11:00 AM 11/16/2007
Subject: Mercy Expansion

I do NOT support the expansion for the following reasons:

- 1,000 more vehicles PER DAY on H, J, 39th Street and other streets surrounding the hospital
- Expansion creates impacts ACROSS 39th Street
- Destruction of 17 residences (4 homes, 3 apartment complexes)
- 7 years of construction and pollution
- Contrary to principles of the City General Plan
- Erodes the residential character of East Sacramento
- Mercy has viable alternative locations for expansion
- There is an on-site alternative that does not require destroying homes

Peggy Orr
924-44th Street

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From: Carrie Grip <cgrip@earthlink.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 8:47 AM 11/16/2007
Subject: Mercy Hospital Project
Attachments: Mayor support ltr.doc

Dear Mayor Fargo,

Attached is a letter of support describing the wonderful support Rebuilding Together has received from Catholic Healthcare West and its hospitals over the years.

Thank you

Carrie Grip
Executive Director
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November 15, 2007

Mayor Heather Fargo
City of Sacramento
915 I Street, 5th floor
Sacramento, CA. 95814

Dear Mayor Fargo,

This letter is written in support of the Mercy General/Sacred Heart School project. Rebuilding Together's growth is due in part to the support of Catholic Healthcare West and its local Mercy Hospitals.

Catholic Healthcare West has been an active supporter of Rebuilding Together since 2002. The ultimate impact of their contributions, both monetarily and as volunteers, has resulted in over \$600,000 worth of improvements to Sacramento's housing stock and a decrease in falls among our senior and disabled population.

Rebuilding Together's Safe at Home Program started in 2002 with a startup grant from Catholic Healthcare community grant. The grant enabled the organization to establish a home modification program that has improved accessibility in 1,200 homes since its inception. Over 1,500 community members are safer and more independent because of the grab bars, ramps, smoke and fire detectors and other items installed through the program.

Catholic Healthcare West employees also coordinated the improvements on 4 substandard homes. The improvements resulted in over \$80,000 in improvements on the homes. Sister Clare Dalton, an employee at Mercy General Hospital, also serves on the Rebuilding Together Board of Directors.

Rebuilding Together supports the Mercy General/Sacred Heart School project.

Sincerely,

Carrie Grip, Executive Director

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From: "Toni's SBC Global (POP)" <paraskaki@sbcglobal.net>
To: <Hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <Bpannell@cityofsacramento.org>, <Kmccart...>
Date: 12:52 AM 11/15/2007
Subject: MHCW

To Whom It May Concern,

We DO NOT WANT a Regional Heart Center to destroy the scale, feel, and footprint of our neighborhood. If you allow MHCW to expand past their current boundaries, you will allow that destruction to happen.

They have land that is more freeway accessible on which to relocate. Let them go there! Why would you allow them to crowd into our neighborhood? By allowing a REGIONAL HEART CENTER you will:

1. Add more traffic to already crowded streets. Sometimes travel down H St. at 8:00 is very difficult. Why would you want to make it worse and more polluted to boot?
2. Make the Chapel less accessible to us.
3. Have housing replaced but MHCW will own it. That's very convenient for them if they should want to expand in the future.
4. Make 38th Street even worse. They already have no parking on the street. What about the noise from the school?
5. Possibly drive some owner/occupants out. Will East Sac become a neighborhood primarily of rentals?

Some myths abound:

1. A person in the neighborhood will be guaranteed heart care at Mercy just because they live nearby.
2. Doctors will leave Mercy if the Heart Center is elsewhere. Actually, experience has shown that this will cull the inept physicians.
3. If they rebuild the school on site, students will leave during construction. That didn't happen at St. Francis.

MHCW should move to the land they have in the South Area or they can rebuild on site without changing their footprint.

Please don't destroy our neighborhood!

Sincerely,
Mr. & Mrs. T. Chapralis

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From: Joan Moment <jvm@csus.edu>
To: <scohn@cityofsacramento.org>
CC: "hfargo@cityofsacramento.org" <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, "bpannell@c...
Date: 5:46 PM 11/14/2007
Subject: Fwd: Mercy Expansion: NO!
Attachments: Part.001

Dear Councilman Cohn,

The message below is from both of us who live at the same address. We are very concerned about this expansion and the detrimental effect it undoubtedly will have on our wonderful neighborhood. The hospital is situated in a residential neighborhood. When the hospital was built the traffic and quality of life on the surrounding streets was quite a bit different--quieter and conducive to enjoyment of a residential environment. This expansion is wrong--clearly the last concern for the hospital officials is the effect on the neighborhood, to the point of buying out home owners who have lived there for decades. Many people move to East Sacramento, investing in a home purchase because it is beautiful, convenient to work, businesses, groceries, colleges and schools, etc. East Sac is one of the few neighborhoods left in Sacramento in which one can live, walking on sidewalks and experiencing the quality of life that is far more human than the look-alike suburbs where unique architecture is absent and driving long distances has become a way of life.

I strongly urge you to vote NO on Mercy's proposed expansion plan.

Sincerely,

Joan Moment, homeowner and Professor at C.S.U.S.

Begin forwarded message:

> From: david roth <roth_david@hotmail.com>
> Date: November 14, 2007 9:31:18 AM PST
> To: "scohn@cityofsacramento.org" <scohn@cityofsacramento.org>
> Cc: "hfargo@cityofsacramento.org" <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <bpannell@cityofsacramento.org" <bpannell@cityofsacramento.org>, <kmccarty@cityofsacramento.org" <kmccarty@cityofsacramento.org>
> Subject: Mercy Expansion: NO!
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> Dear Councilman Cohn:
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> From where I stand on 35th Street, the expansion proposed by Mercy
> Hospital is simply unthinkable. Folsom Blvd. and J Street already
> resemble freeways at peak hours, and even at off-hours, the traffic
> between these two streets is heavy. Show up at my house at
> mid-morning or mid-afternoon and you will not find 60 seconds in which
> at least 5 cars don't pass my house -- often in excess of 40 mph,
> bashing mufflers on speed bumps and tossing off sparks. It's no fun.
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> Add to that Sutter's new medical-industrial complex going up on 28th
> Street (between N and K) and you have an even heavier (and as yet
> uncalculated) traffic load, not to mention the near-total
> commercialization of a formerly mixed-use neighborhood. You don't

- > have to wait until this is built out to see the impact. Just walk or
- > bike down Alhambra Blvd. at noon; it's bumper-to-bumper cars.
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- > Sutter, by itself, pushes us to the breaking point. If the Council
- > gives a green light to Mercy, this neighborhood is FINISHED. Ask
- > yourself, is it worth it? Is this what East Sac needs?
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- > Mercy has other locations to expand, namely Elk Grove.
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- > I strongly urge you and the rest of the Council to vote NO on Mercy's
- > proposed East Sac expansion plan.
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- > Sincerely,
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- > -DR
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- > David Roth
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From: Inge Brower <ibrower@comcast.net>
To: Steve Cohn <scohn@cityofsacramento.org>
CC: Sandra Sheedy <ssheedy@cityofsacramento.org>, Heather Fargo <hfargo@city...>
Date: 3:05 PM 11/14/2007
Subject: Not Now, Mercy

Dear Steve,

Because Mercy's original rationalization for needing it's huge land grab building project was the mandated need for retrofit, today's Bee article, regarding reconsideration of that mandate, makes it clear to me that the building project should, at the very least, be postponed until there is clarification of the need for retrofit.

Please do all you can to alleviate progression of this huge corporate scam, which now may not be mandated at all. Thanks for your hard work.

Inge Brower
3932 K St. 95816

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From: "Eileen Heaser" <eheaser@csus.edu>
To: <Sohn@cityofsacramento.org>, <Hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 2:40 PM 11/14/2007
Subject: Mercy Hosp/Sacred Heart School

For the record, I do not oppose the Hospital and School project. There are many more pressing issues in Sacramento. Mercy Hospital and the school have been in the neighborhood for years. They provide a vital service, (I do not use either facility) employ many people, and help patients regain their health.

Let's get on with it!!

Thanks

Eileen Heaser
449 San Miguel Way

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From: Ibra Henley <idhenley@ucdavis.edu>
To: <Sohn@cityofsacramento.org>, <Hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <Bpannell@c...>
Date: 9:52 AM 11/14/2007
Subject: Mercy expansion

Dear Councilmember,
I want you to know that as a resident of Sacramento, who enjoys the East Sacramento neighborhood, I am deeply opposed to the Mercy expansion project. I find it shameful that you would even consider destroying homes in a market where affordable housing is in such high demand. Allow Mercy to explore options that would have less of a negative impact on our community.
Thank you in advance for doing the right thing!

Best Regards,

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To: <scohn@cityofsacramento.org>
CC: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <bpannell@cityofsacramento.org>, <kmccart...>
Date: 9:31 AM 11/14/2007
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Sincerely,

-DR

David Roth 1424-35th St. Sacramento, CA 95816916/457-6218-V916/454-1072-Froth_david@hotmail.com

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From: "Jackie Stone" <jackie.stone@sbcglobal.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 6:51 PM 11/13/2007
Subject: Mercy Hospital Cardiac Facility
Attachments: Mercy letter.doc

Attached are my thoughts for you and the City Council Members on the Mercy project proposed for my East Sac neighborhood . Thanks for your consideration.

Jackie Stone

Mayor Heather Fargo
City Council
City Hall
915 I St.
Sacramento, CA 95814

Nov. 13, 2007

Dear Mayor Fargo and City Council Members,

I live in East Sacramento and I support Mercy General and Sacred Heart School's joint project. My several reasons are listed below.

My opinion is that the hospital was here first, before many of the neighbors. The Sisters of Mercy have long provided community care and been an asset to the Sacramento region. They have worked diligently to develop a plan acceptable to all as they strive to provide an even higher level of cardiac care and deserve to have it approved.

The hospital provides excellent medical care in this area. It is a comfort to know that should the need arise there is this highly ranked heart care facility available. I visited a friend who had had heart surgery at this facility and was very impressed w/ the quality of care and the kindness and sensitivity of the Mercy hospital staff and employees.

I also like the benefits that the project will bring to the school. Kids need a grassy area to play on instead of that existing black asphalt playground. (Imagine how much fun that is on our hot days!) They will also get a competitively sized gym. Moving the school across the street will get children and parents, and their cars, out of the hospital area, and help cut down on backed-up street congestion.

I'm not connected to the hospital or school in any way, and I don't agree with groups that oppose this project.

Sincerely,

Jackie Stone
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Sacramento, CA 95819

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From: <patlynch@surewest.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 2:46 PM 11/13/2007

Dear Mayor FArgo, please record me as one of the many East Sacramentans who strenuously opposed the Mercy Hospital expansion. The seven years of proposed construction and the thousand new car trips a day this expansion would cause is an environmental assault that we cannot afford. Mercy wrongly asserts that we are a "vocal minority." We are not. We are a substantial majority of East Sacramentans and we are determined to protect the classic neighborhood we have worked so hard to build. Please support us in this effort. Please remember that world class cities protect their world class neighborhoods. Thank you, Pat Lynch

926 43rd St.

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From: "Serrano, Estela S" <serrano@saclink.csus.edu>
To: "hfargo@cityofsacramento.org" <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, "scohn@city...
CC: "serrano@csus.edu" <serrano@csus.edu>
Date: 10:56 PM 11/12/2007
Subject: Mercy

Dear Mayor Fargo and Council Members,
Some of us noticed that the letters we had sent were missing from the files that were on the table the night of the Planning Commission meeting. So I am resubmitting.
Thank you for your consideration.
Respectfully,
Estela Serrano

October 22, 2007

City of Sacramento
915 I Street
Sacramento, California

Subject: P04-215 Mercy Hospital/Sacred Heart School Project

Dear City Council Members, et al:

I am writing to commend council member Steve Cohn for presenting a thorough and concise history of Mercy Hospital's pattern of growth and its effect on the surrounding residential area. I am however very disappointed to find the absence of an environmental impact report that reveals the true and complete impact of Mercy Hospital's construction on air quality and traffic congestion.

Also, I am incensed to hear the Mercy Healthcare Sacramento corporate team invoke repeatedly in numerous presentations the Sisters of Mercy, purporting to share values of compassion and devotion to the community they serve. This is a preposterous claim. If Mercy Healthcare Sacramento's corporate team were truly compassionate and devoted to the health of the East Sacramento community they would not proceed to destroy and disrupt a residential area that already has sufficient access to health services.

Worse yet, I was indignant to witness council member Sandy Sheedy's reaction to the importance of this community-based hearing process. Her hostile remark to the public, "I'm tired of this project--let's just move on," is not called for. She is elected to represent the voice of the community. If she is 'tired of this project' then she is tired of her elected position.

Finally, as a resident of East Sacramento, and a proponent of preserving the historic and community-friendly environment here, I am financially and personally invested in the outcome of the community discourse with Mercy Hospital. Moreover, I am a blind senior citizen and have asthma, so were Mercy Hospital to carry out its imperialistic corporate plan the quality of my golden years would be irrevocably compromised.

I had hoped to live my last years in a reasonably healthy and safe neighborhood. With Catholic Healthcare West's expansion as carried out by Mercy Healthcare Sacramento and Mercy Hospital specifically, I can look forward to a degraded, unsafe and unhealthy neighborhood, disrupted by corporate-driven self-interest and profit.

I hope the solidarity of the East Sacramento community prevails and refuses to accept the injustice and inequity of Mercy Hospital's irrational expansion plan.

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From: "Elizabeth Ebr..." <ese0708@sbcglobal.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <scohn@cityofsacramento.org>, <rtretheway...>
Date: 10:12 PM 11/12/2007
Subject: Mercy

Dear Mayor Fargo, Council Members Cohn, Tretheway, Sheedy, Fong, Hammond, McCarty, Waters, and Pannell,

The night of the Planning Commission meeting most letters were in a binder on the table, some, including mine, were missing so I am resubmitting.

Thank you for your time,

Sincerely,

E. Ebrahimzadeh

1034 35th St.
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23rd October, 2007

The Honourable Mayor Fargo, City Council Members and Planning Commission Board Members

Last Tuesday night the city council meeting had an element of the surreal. Only a playwright from the school of theatre of the absurd could have come up with a script that has Jesus on the side of a big corporation. Regardless of the catholic foundation of Mercy hospital, the soft voice of its president and the dignity of the cleric from Sacred Heart this project has absolutely nothing to do with the ideals of Christianity and the path of its prophet. It has everything to do with the finances of a large corporation and its profit.

The spokeswoman of this project tells us that, in their utmost generosity, to accommodate the residents of East Sacramento, they have made changes to the project which have increased their cost by 60%. Thank you, but we use a different scale to measure generosity.

We want to live in peace, without added pollution. We want to preserve the cherished modicum of tranquility and clean air that we still have left in these environs. We do not want Mercy to turn J street into a Boulevard of Broken Promises any more than it has already.

We are not a minority. We are a very concerned majority. It is only if you compare the fiscal net worth of both sides of this issue that we take second place and by a wide margin.

I do not believe in dragging Jesus into the City Council but I wish to remind those who have already done so that his ministry was for the common people. He rose against the might of the rulers and therein lies his legacy.

Thank you, Councilmember Cohn for your dignified presentation. I felt Councilmember Sheedy insulted us all with her flippant disregard for the sound of reason.

Mayor Fargo, Council members and Planning Commission members, please direct Mercy to expand elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth S. Ebrahimzadéh, Ph.D.
Professor of Mathematics

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From: "Mel Billingsley" <melbilljr@comcast.net>
To: <shirleenbacchi@yahoo.com>
Date: 9:44 PM 10/1/2007
Subject: Target at 65th Street and 4th Ave - Urban Design? Neighborhood Village?

Shirleen, it was good talking with you at the TPNA meeting tonight. Here's something I sent to a group about the Target proposal.

It is important that we as a neighborhood make sure Target and the Planning Commission and City Council hear our determination to create a "village" atmosphere along 65th Street.

Mel Billingsley

From: Mel Billingsley
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Sent: Sunday, August 26, 2007 8:19 AM
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Ask yourself these questions:

"If Target can build this store in their home town, why can't they build it here in Sacramento at 4th Avenue and 65th Street?"

Are we less deserving of a quality addition to our community?

Is this an Urban design, or is the design they've presented with their application an Urban design?

Does the 2030 General Plan Subregional concept, recently adopted by the City of Sacramento's City Council, ask for "remarkable" architecture? Or is the pseudo-suburban design offered by Target acceptable? 65th Street isn't "downtown" after-all.

Target's 65th Street Center - as is? Or do we ask them to embrace the community, to design a true "center", a gathering place for our neighborhoods - a destination?

Write a letter to City Council, write to Planning Commission members, send a note to City Planning Staff, speak up in community meetings - but make it clear that Target is welcome in our community - but they need to also embrace our community.

Mel Billingsley

note: if you can't see the picture try using "preview" instead of open - if that fails then go to this link and you can see it there!
<http://www.ryancompanies.com/news/news/news-release101901.html> you might want to open the link in any case and read about Target's Target Plaza in Minneapolis, Minn.

From: "Mel Billingsley" <melbilljr@comcast.net>
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Date: 2:14 PM 11/10/2007
Subject: Mercy project
Attachments: Target at 65th Street and 4th Ave - Urban Design? Neighborhood Village?

Cecily,

Don't know if you remember me. I wrote an article for Inside East Sacramento on the 2030 General Plan some time ago.

I thought I would forward this e-mail (below) to you with the suggestion that you contact Jody Samuels, City of Sacramento Planning Commission member, and get her to contribute an article expressing her opinions around the City's new 2030 vision that urges urban core revitalization over Greenfield development.

Along these lines – I want to express my own viewpoints on the Mercy Hospital expansion. I support the expansion as proposed by Mercy and feel the article by Lisa Schmidt on page 10 of November's Inside East Sacramento provides a balanced view, strongly supported by the excellent collection of Letters to the Editor on pages 84-87.

Much of the energy spent by neighborhood activists in this town, including my own sometimes, is spent opposing development proposals – and oft-times this is well-placed energy; but not this time. While I respect the views of those in East Sac who oppose the Mercy project, I can't help but think how much they've achieved in getting Mercy to revise their original plans to put forth a proposal that will surely and truly enhance the neighborhood.

I'm copying Mayor Fargo, my councilmember Kevin McCarty and Councilmember Steve Cohn – so they know I am adding a voice in favor of the Mercy plan as presented recently to Council. I applaud Councilmember Cohn for asking Council to consider the alternative from the East Sacramento Preservation Task Force – this is a major redevelopment in our urban core – and it deserves a thoughtful and open process. That said, I believe the facts raised by the architects, and by the voices in the letters section present strong arguments in support of this project.

So, back to my e-mail below. I,

like most of my neighbors – am in favor of a Target store at 65th Street and 4th Avenue. I just want it to be a store that will enhance our neighborhood – not just take advantage of it; creating a neighborhood village, a gathering place if you will. We share this space – the envisioned Station Block Village extends in a ½ mile radius from the 65th Street Light Rail station and definitely includes the proposed Target site (which is actually within ¼ mile radius of the station). When SHRA and Councilmember Cohn hosted the the Station Block visioning process a year or so ago, I was a participant. At my urging the documents were modified to express the Station Block area as the synthesis of three wonderful neighborhoods in Sacramento: East Sacramento, CSUS and the Tahoe Park Neighborhood.

We have many opportunities to build a great city – I hope to see Inside East Sacramento take a look at the Station Block area in the months to come, gather thoughts and opinions and help City Council and the dedicated developers, like Marc Lucas, who are willing to risk investing in this area transform the 65th and Folsom Station Block area into a neighborhood village.

Best regards,
Mel Billingsley
704-5658

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Subject: Kudos to Planning Commission

Well Brooks,

Just when you feel like maybe you are wasting your time being on committees to provide neighborhood input to land use planning, along comes the Planning Commission who actually "walks the talk" on an important land use decision – a-la the Thursday evening denial recommendation on the Greenbriar project.

Over a year ago the Jane Jacobs Reading Group (Kay Knepprath) was invited to review and comment on the Greenbriar project. There was a letter from Tina Thomas that I recall used all the "Smart Growth" buzz-words, and laid claim, much as Phillip R. Serna now does – that Greenbriar is a Blueprint project.

Well, I said it then, and I repeat now – just because you SAY it is a Blueprint project; that does not MAKE IT a Blueprint, or Smart Growth project.

Jodi Samuels and the other four Planning Commission members who voted to recommend the City Council deny the application GET IT. Jodi was so very right on in her e-mail comments. This City is making a commitment to prioritizing infill projects, to strengthening its urban core. We are fortunate that we have several very dedicated infill developers, architects and builders who are trying very hard, on small margins, to compete with the "big Greenfield developers".

For instance, I would like to see Marc Lucas get subsidy money allocated to him from City Council for the 65th and Folsom Blvd southeast corner development he's trying to pull together. But his project isn't a jazzy downtown

tower, and he doesn't have the big bucks pull. He's just a hardworking guy, with a commitment to making our urban core a better place. Just f.y.i., Marc has resisted renting out the buildings he has – to preserve the opportunity to pull together a great project (preview coming soon at a future 65th Street RAC meeting) that will make our existing neighborhood a better place!

Yeah, I harp on the 65th Street area, but the mid-town NAG harps on their turf too – and rightly so. We ALREADY LIVE HERE! We're not talking about a patch of dirt out on the edge of town that will need all the already over-taxed city services to extend yet even further out – not to mention the need to fix the existing infrastructure where, yes – you got it – where we already live!!

Maybe we've hit a tipping point – I hope so!

I can only hope that our City Council walks the talk when they get their opportunity!

Mel
704-5658

p.s. please forward to Jodi Samuels – I don't have her e-mail address.

well, I couldn't send this without bringing up the proposed Target project at 65th Street and 4th Avenue. They claim their proposed design is urban – I suggest the store shown in the attached e-mail that they built in their hometown (where they live!) is a true Urban design – why should we accept less where we live??!!! I will need yours and the other mid-towner's help when it comes time to review the Target application at Planning Commission and City Council.

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From: ERIC WHALEN <e-whalen@sbcglobal.net>
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Date: 10:33 PM 11/8/2007
Subject: Hospital/school proposal

November 8, 2007

Dear Mayor Fargo and City Council Members,

I've owned a home in midtown for eleven years and am writing to urge your support for the new Heart Center at Mercy General Hospital and a new school for Sacred Heart. I value living in an area where I am close to high quality health care.

Establishing a Heart Center at Mercy General Hospital will add great value to the neighborhood especially for the elderly. My neighbor is a 90 year old gentleman and I know I would feel a sense of relief knowing that a state of the art Heart Center was only minutes away.

Any group that's against the project is not speaking for me nor am I connected or affiliated with the hospital or school.

Eric Whalen
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From: "Bill" <bill@sheiladog.com>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 10:15 PM 11/8/2007
Subject: Mercy Hospital and Sacred Heart School

To: Mayor Fargo and the City Council, City of Sacramento

I am writing to voice my support for the building of the Spanos Heart Center at Mercy Hospital and the new Sacred Heart School. I am not affiliated with either institution. I am writing as a resident of the central city.

I support the new heart center because it will provide a very necessary service. I also support Mercy Hospital because I feel that it is important to maintain a healthy competition between health care providers and that all neighborhoods should share the burden of housing the needed health care facilities for all the citizens of Sacramento. It has been my experience that Mercy treats their employees well. From the presentations to the public that I have seen, they have worked very hard to minimize the impact to the surrounding neighborhoods.

Also from public presentations, I am impressed with the new Sacred Heart School plan. I feel that the students will have a much-improved school to learn and play at. Mercy has been very generous in their offer to rebuild the school.

Thank you for your time,
Bill Burgua

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From: <rockmedic@comcast.net>
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Date: 12:57 AM 11/8/2007
Subject: Support for Mercy General Hospital and Sacred Heart Parish School

Honorable Mayor Heather Fargo and Council Members;

My name is Julius Watters and I am an employee of Catholic Healthcare West at the Mercy General Hospital campus on 40th and 'J' Street (4001 J Street). We are trying to give our community a State of the Art Cardiac Hospital to be proud of and to have it service our community well into the 21st century.

Without our proposed expansion, it will make it most difficult to give our community the facilities for health-care that it richly deserves. The Sisters of Mercy have provided services to this community for 150 years and our current facilities are in desperate need of upgrading in order to help us flourish in this century and hopefully the next century but we can only achieve this with your support for our growth in the community.

With an ever increasing growth in our communities we need to be able to service them with better facilities than what we currently have and with your support you will help set the future into motion today for better health-care for all of us in the community. You are the leaders with the forethought to a better and healthier community, just take the steps to bring better health-care to all that we serve here at Mercy General Hospital.

God Bless,

/s/ Julius L. Watters
Dept. of Public Safety and Security
Mercy General Hospital / CHW

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From: <Ckhw15a@cs.com>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 6:37 AM 11/7/2007
Subject: Mercy General (Heart) Expansion

Dear Heather. (sorry for the misnomer). On Behalf of Suzanne Hurt (Mercy General Marketing Dept.), I'd like to extend her request to approve the Mercy General (Heart) expansion, on your upcoming City Council meeting. I did originally attend that same meeting (standing room only) at the old planning commission hearing room, about a month ago, for the Railyards approval. It turns out, most of the people were there for the Mercy Hospital expansion. At that time, I didn't know. Hey! This community activist stuff is Fun, isn't it?? Charles Hooper. Folsom, Ca. 95630.

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From: "Hoyt, Wendy" <Wendy.Hoyt@hdrinc.com>
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CC: <vjones@cityofsacramento.org>, <cdalldorf@aol.com>, <sobrien@cityofsacra...>
Date: 4:40 PM 11/3/2007
Subject: 7 - 2 Approval by Planning Commission for Mercy/Sacred Heart/Housing mixed use project

Dear Heather:

At the Planning Commission's October 25th hearing, after reviewing considerable public testimony, the Planning Commission

approved 7 to 2 the revised Mercy General Hospital and Sacred Heart Parish School Mixed Use project, and advanced

it to the Mayor and Council.

Several Planning Commissioners expressed their strong support for the project and recognized Mercy General Hospital's sincere efforts to

significantly modify the project in response to community members' input and concerns. Here are just two of several comments:

"I spent a lot of time looking at the alternative, as well as looking at the proposal.

I think the proposal is a good one. ...I think when all is said and done the neighborhood is going to feel, in terms of its character, very much like it feels now. I think 10 years from now, people won't notice the change, but we'll have an up-to-date facility that's very good, and we'll have a community that works. "

-Barry Wasserman, Planning Commissioner

"I want to thank those who supported the project and those who opposed it initially, because I think that early opposition actually made this a better project. After careful review, considering all I know about urban hospital master planning and healthcare in an urban environment, I'm very satisfied and very pleased, that with the help of many people, Catholic Healthcare West, more specifically, Mercy General, has come up and proposed this project to the City."

-John Boyd, Planning Commissioner

Mercy General Hospital, Sacred Heart Parish School, and Separovich-Domich look forward to bringing this exceptional project to you and the City Council for final approval on November 27th.

Appreciatively,

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Dear Mayor Fargo,

My name is Paul de Silva and I am writing to share with you my feelings with regard to the Mercy General-Sacred Heart Project that is being evaluated by the City Council. I wish also that you share with the others in the panel whatever thoughts you might think relevant in helping to make the decision that is best for our community.

I wholeheartedly SUPPORT the Project. I think it is a good one for East Sacramento, and for the City in general, and although I think so for many reasons, I wish to share with you the ONE that is most pertinent in my mind. It is important that you know that I teach at Sacred Heart School and have done so for the past 16 years. I have seen this school go from no security gates and no air conditioning and no science lab etc. to one that has these and much more through the sweat and inspiration of the families that send their children here, most of which live within the near neighborhoods of this school. What has not changed over the years is the commitment to the young people and their FAMILIES that are a part of the community. This school is not just a part of the community, but a VITAL part of this neighborhood. This school has educated many children from the surrounding community, and more importantly, CONTINUES to do so. I have seen among those who oppose the project former parents whose children have gone on to successful academic achievements and lives after getting a K-8 education at this school. Shouldn't present and future parents get the same opportunity as these. This school has been a great success for this NEIGHBORHOOD and has brought many wonderful and successful COMMUNITY events to the area including for example the renowned Holiday Home Tour which is an event popular even beyond the City of Sacramento. This school, in so doing, DESERVES the support of the city Government as a whole, as it is for the noblest of all reasons that groups such as yours exist: to ensure that our city communities remain vibrant and active, with a strong sense of belonging and community, creating an atmosphere of PLACE among its residents. Sacred Heart School through its connection with this area deserves CONSIDERATION in the planning of the future here as it has for many years provided all of these to the community it supports. The opportunity to build on the success of this school by allowing this project to advance is significant. It will be the many families, present and FUTURE, that will experience the benefit of such a development. And thus, this city will continue to have a vibrant, active, and involved neighborhood in East Sacramento, one full not only with large, lavish bedrooms but also CLASSROOMS, one not only with quiet, shaded sidewalks but also active, growing CHILDREN, one not only with long, private driveways but also deep, vibrant DREAMS of those looking to their future.

I appreciate your time in reading this, and I hope it helps in some way to assist in creating a view that clearly our SCHOOL community needs your

support too.

**Thanks,
Paul de Silva**

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From: Ashby Claudia Peterson <ccraash@pacbell.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 9:01 PM 11/1/2007
Subject: Support - Mercy General Hospital Proposed Spanos Heart Center

November 1, 2007

Mayor Heather Fargo
City of Sacramento
915 I Street, 5th floor
Sacramento, California
95814

Re: SUPPORT FOR – Proposed Mercy General Hospital Spanos Heart Center and Sacred Heart School project

I would like to begin by saying that as 27 year resident of East Sacramento and living within a block of Mercy General Hospital, that I am totally in favor of their plans to construct the new Spanos Cardiovascular Center and Sacred Heart School. I have no affiliation with Mercy General Hospital other than the fortune to live close to a premier heart center whose timely intervention and state of the art care has enabled me to survive and recover from two life threatening cardiac events. With heart disease being the #1 killer of Americans, I feel the project will bring incalculable benefit to the community and neighborhood far outweighing temporary inconveniences. It will keep premiere cardiovascular medicine in East Sacramento as well as their first rate emergency, stroke, orthopedic, neurologic, ophthalmic and maternity departments in OUR neighborhood as well as continuing to provide their myriad of health related classes and clinics. For example; the women's heart to heart program, retina institute, neuro/spine rehabilitation and cardio vascular rehabilitation and conditioning programs, fitness, anticoagulation clinic, diabetes management, nutrition, parenting, cancer support, Alzheimer /ageing classes to name but few, as well as providing free lectures by renowned authorities on all facets of cutting edge and state of the art advances in medicine for the benefit of the healthy as well the health challenged citizens of East Sacramento, all without having to endure unhealthy stress, havoc and congestion generated by the overburdened freeway systems that would be necessary in order to reach Folsom, North Natomas, or Elk Grove.

Contrary to the opposition's contention, it is my feeling the proposed MGH Spanos Cardiovascular Center does not increase the footprint within the community, but rather reallocates new 21st C resources within the current campus boundary meeting both hospital needs while addressing seismic retrofit constraints imposed by the State of California. The Moving of Sacred Heart School across the street, while requiring relocation of several aging structures, is not destruction of a neighborhood, but rather provides a 21st Century, state of the art, aesthetically compatible learning facility whose presence is a consistent feature within any residential neighborhood to provide for children's educational needs. Schools are an integral part of the fabric of our communities. The building of a new state of the art school can hardly be considered destruction of a neighborhood. Additionally, the all removed or relocated residential structures are being replaced by visually pleasing, compatible, new living units.

The phrase "destruction of the neighborhood" is a myth promulgated by a shortsighted minority of NIMBY'S who put self interests above the needs of the thousands citizens who yearly are the beneficiaries of the presence of MGH. I ask you to ignore the bogus rhetoric infused with inaccuracy, distortion and delay tactics used by ESPTF and a small minority to advance their personal agenda which has seduced many of my East Sacramento neighbors. Please vote to keep the Mercy General Spanos Heart Center and Sacred Heart School project on track in East Sacramento and bring 21st. Century medicine and education to my neighborhood. Houses and trees can be replaced but a lost life is gone forever.

I support and ask for your approval of Mercy General Hospitals proposed Spanos Cardiovascular Center and the Sacred Heart School which need to move forward if a viable premiere health facility is to remain in our East Sacramento community.

Sincerely,
Richard Ashby

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Sacramento California 95819

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From: Claudia Peterson <tibbi0704@pacbell.net>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>
Date: 8:54 PM 11/1/2007
Subject: Support for Mercy General Hospital Proposed Spanos Heart Center Project

November 1, 2007

Mayor Heather Fargo
City of Sacramento
915 I Street, 5th Floor
Sacramento, California 95814

Re: SUPPORT for Mercy General Hospital Spanos Heart Center and Sacred Heart School Project

Dear Mayor Fargo:

I just don't get it! Shouldn't we citizens of East Sacramento be grateful that Sacramento's premiere heart center is right in our neighborhood? Grateful as well that we won't have to be transported by ambulance during an extremely frightening health crisis to Natomas or Elk Grove or some other far away location when we know that, when it comes to the heart, it is imperative to get medical assistance within minutes of an attack.

I am 63 years old and am perhaps more attuned to the benefit of living near a heart center than some young folks may be. However, the statistics are clear, heart disease is the number one killer of both men and women, it is most prevalent in ages 50 and up, and it is trickier to diagnose in women. For these reasons, I am comforted to know that not only does Mercy Hospital have the most renowned cardiologists and heart surgeons in the region, but that it has also been given the opportunity (\$15 million in donations) to house the most up-to-date equipment to aid those medical professionals in saving lives.

It is true that in order for this project to go forward, some older homes will need to be moved, sadly some trees will need to be uprooted, and there no doubt will be some inconvenience to us. However, I strongly believe that we should not lose sight of the good that Mercy Hospital brings to this community and support its endeavor to improve services even further to East Sacramento citizenry.

I am a 30 year resident of East Sacramento, live right behind the hospital at 509 San Miguel Way, I am neither affiliated with the hospital or the school, and I urge you and the City Council to vote as soon as possible to allow Mercy to get started on this important project. oweH

Sincerely,

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Sacramento, California

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From: "Frazier, Doris - MGH" <Doris.Frazier@chw.edu>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <ssheedy@cityofsacramento.org>, <scohn@ci...>
Date: 6:58 PM 10/29/2007
Subject: Mercy Heart Center Support

Dear City Council Members:

It is with great pleasure that I identify myself as a full supporter of the revised Mercy General Hospital & Sacred Heart Parish School Mixed-Use Project. Following years of refinement working with the East Sacramento community, I believe the project to be a win-win-win for all residents of Sacramento, East Sacramento residents and businesses, current and future Sacred Heart students, and future patients of Mercy General Hospital (MGH).

As a seasoned cardiovascular administrator, I have been affiliated with many cardiac programs across the United States during my career, and with MGH for the past year. From that perspective, I can truly say that Mercy General Hospital is a very unique cardiac program in terms of quality and volume. There are very few cardiac centers across the US that can say they are the largest in volume in their state and also provide among the highest quality. Per the 2007 California CABG Outcome Report, Mercy provides the highest volume of cardiac surgeries and is one of only four hospitals in the state that has better than expected outcomes for patients undergoing coronary artery bypass surgery. MGH is also a Top 100 Cardiovascular Hospital, named by Solucient. In addition, the cardiac surgical program is top-ranked on respected quality comparison sites.

This unique program is available to all in need in the Sacramento area and beyond. The fact that such outcomes and volumes have been produced in a sorely inadequate building is beyond incredible. This speaks to the dedication and commitment of all the physicians, staff, and health care providers. As technology and care processes have changes, the facilities at MGH are antiquated and placing undue burden on the patients, families, and staff. It is difficult to maintain proper infection control practices in a 2-bed room with a shared toilet. It is difficult to find space for patient/family conferences and maintain patient privacy in cramped patient care areas. It is difficult or impossible to upgrade an 80-year old building to accommodate computer based technologies, and implement the new technology and equipment required for state-of-the-art patient care. The electrical power capabilities barely support the increased need for the needed equipment. The air conditioning and heating system constantly struggle to maintain a comfortable environment, and often fail in the summer months. It will become increasingly difficult to attract the best and brightest physicians, nurses, and other caregivers to Mercy General Hospital as the building and work conditions become substandard. This is not what Sacramento needs or wants for its future.

The patients and families in this community deserve a comfortable

environment that facilitates healing that keep pace with current needs and expectations. The staff requires a working space and building that facilitates their delivery of excellent patient care for today and into the future. The new facility will provide amenities which are now considered to be industry standard, such as private rooms for patients. These rooms not only provide for a peaceful environment, which has been proven to help the healing process for both patients and their families, but also for emerging technology, which allows for better and more efficient care.

In addition, the new Sacred Heart School will be a high caliber, two-story facility that will provide quality education to our youth for generations to come. While neighbors and parents seem most excited about the cutting-edge learning environment and traffic flow design that accommodates drop-off and pick-up times, students tend to be more excited about gaining a grass playing field - something they have never before experienced at Sacred Heart.

Mercy General has worked cooperatively with residents and the City in developing a project that addresses community concerns, including the creation of 20 new housing units. The project will supply economic vitality to the City and the region through creation of jobs and an increase of services, while residents and businesses sustain quality neighbors in Mercy General and Sacred Heart Parish School.

I undeniably support this project and the long-term benefit of increased healthcare for patients in need and the highest quality education for our community's youth and future leaders.

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From: "Dave Lynch" <dave@guitarworkshoponline.com>
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Date: 12:15 PM 10/25/2007
Subject: SUPPORT MERCY GENERAL AND SACRED HEART PROJECT

Dave Lynch
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October 25, 2007

Heather Fargo
Mayor
City of Sacramento
915 I Street, 5th Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mayor Fargo:

I respectfully requests your support of the Mercy General and Sacred Heart Project.

Greetings,
Actually I don't support the removal of residences to increase the footprint of the hospital, but would like to see the complex relocated to preserve to quality of the neighborhood.

I believe there is land across from 80 by the dump and perhaps land available in the rail yard complex, as well as the Natomas area.

I understand there is a meeting tonight and would like to attend.
Please contact me at 916-752-7056 cell

Thanks
Dave Lynch
Candidate for US Congress
www.DaveLynchForCongress.org

I respectfully requests your support of the Mercy General and Sacred Heart Project.

Sincerely,

Dave Lynch
916-441-6555
Owner
Guitar Workshop

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From: Claudia Rainda <cmr246@hotmail.com>
To: <hfargo@cityofsacramento.org>, <cmr246@hotmail.com>
Date: 9:58 AM 10/25/2007
Subject: Mercy General Hospital
Attachments: Mayor Fargo Ltr of Support D&C Oct 2007.doc

Please find attached our letter of support for Mercy General Hospital and Sacred Heart Parish.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

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Daniel and Claudia Rainda
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Sacramento, CA 95819

October 23, 2007

Mayor Heather Fargo
City Hall
915 I Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mayor Heather Fargo,

I am writing to you as a resident of East Sacramento to inform you that we, my wife and I, whole heartedly support the Mercy General Hospital and Sacred Heart Parish School Joint Project. After closely looking at the immediate and long-term impact that this project will have on East Sacramento, we feel that it is important to the continued vitality and well-being of this community that we love.

We see this project to be essential to insure that the hospital will continue to be there as a good and responsible neighbor, meeting the needs of our community as it is recognized as the very best healthcare in the nation. Whereas the building of a new, modern school will not only provide a safer environment and access to Sacred Heart School for the children of our community, but also insure that the children of future generations will also have the unique educational opportunity that this institution of learning is renowned for.

We would very much like to see you and the city counsel members do whatever is in your power to see that the Mercy General Hospital and Sacred Heart Parish School Joint Project moves forward and becomes a reality.

Sincerely,

Daniel & Claudia Rainda

Daniel and Claudia Rainda

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Date: 11:39 AM 10/24/2007
Subject: Sacred Heart Parish School/Mercy General Hospital, Spanos Heart Center mixed use project - East Sacramento
Attachments: Sacred Heart.pdf

Please find the attached letter in support of the The Mercy General Hospital, Alex G. Spanos Heart Center and Sacred Heart Parish School mixed use project.

I urge you to do the right thing!

Tony Clark

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City of Sacramento
Attention: Planning Commission Board Members
915 I Street, 2nd Floor
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Commission Board Members:

I am a Sacred Heart Parish School parent, parishioner and neighborhood resident who respectfully requests your support of the Mercy General Hospital, Alex G. Spanos Heart Center and Sacred Heart Parish School mixed use project in East Sacramento.

While our more than 75-year-old school holds a great deal of nostalgia, a safe and positive learning environment for more than 300 students is the priority. With this revised project, Sacred Heart School would be moved across the street where a new, two-story facility would be built. A self-contained campus, our children will be able to learn in a safe environment removed from the hospital. Additionally, the students will enjoy a grass playing field for the first time. Additionally, the community will benefit with increased quality health care and state of the art technology.

Supporting this project is the right thing to do in the interest of education, health care and the community.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tony Clark". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Tony Clark
Kathryn Clark

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From: CORINNE O TEMPLEMAN <ctempleman@sbcglobal.net>
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Date: 12:02 PM 10/24/2007
Subject: Mercy Hospital/Sacred Heart Expansion

October 22, 2007

City of Sacramento
915 I Street
Sacramento, CA

Subject: Mercy Hospital – Sacred Heart School Expansion

To: Mayor Fargo, City Council members and Planning Commissioners

Seven years, twenty-five hundred fifty-five days, fourteen thousand five hundred sixty hours. This is the amount of time that the corporate Goliath Catholic Healthcare West (CHW) is not so gently forcing destruction, disruption, traffic gridlock, hazardous waste, and air pollution on the residents of East Sacramento.

The force has frequently taken the shape of fear: fear that some of us will have heart problems and need a heart center closer than Sutter Memorial or UC Medical Center. The implication is that these established heart centers are somehow unable to accommodate our small population.

Some of our neighbors have been paraded before us with heart conditions past and present. Sisters of Mercy have been shown off to reassure us how compassionate CHW truly is. Please! CHW is a huge corporation owning in excess of 40 hospitals throughout California. Corporate competition, pursuit of higher market share and expansion are normal for this and any other healthcare organization. I think when consumers hear the words "health care" or "not-for-profit" they lose sight of these realities. CHW continues to insult the residents of East Sacramento by invoking the words Catholic, mercy, or Sisters of Mercy in an attempt to cloak the true nature of this project: a competitive corporate expansion, a 'keeping up with the corporate Joneses' if you will.

Errors of omission continue to occur in environmental impact reports which do not take into consideration current traffic congestion and air pollution. Living less than 1 block from Mercy Plaza, when I walk any time between 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., I can smell and do breathe exhaust. If this project is approved there will be more unidentified particulate, dirt, and dust. Will residents run the risk of developing or worsening asthma and other pulmonary disorders? Will these neighbors be forced to move away for seven years or permanently?

Is the City of Sacramento truly going to trade the health of East Sacramento residents for an unnecessary and redundant heart center? I trust not. I believe the City knows better than to approve this project. Sandy Sheehy stated that she is "tired of this project...let's move on." Yes indeed Ms. Sheehy---it is time to drop this project and move on!.

The residents of East Sacramento are a microcosm of We the People. As one of those people I stand firmly opposed to this corporate expansion.

Sincerely,

Corinne Oakes
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Date: 3:36 PM 10/23/2007
Subject: Support-Mercy General Project

Planning Commissioners,

This e-mail is in support of the proposed Heart Center at Mercy General. As resident of East Sacramento, I see the project as a benefit to the greater Sacramento area.

As the City of Sacramento continues to focus on infill projects, decisions like the one for this project will be coming before the Planning Commission and City Council for approval. In this circumstance, I believe the benefit to the greater population overrides the not in my back yard attitudes that have been exhibited in this instance.

I urge each of you to support the approval of the Mercy General project. With each project that comes up for approval there will be people who oppose change, this change is for the better of our community.

Lori Jackson
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Date: 2:53 PM 10/23/2007
Subject: Please Support the Mercy Heart Center

Dear Mayor Fargo,

As a homeowner and resident of East Sacramento, I am writing to urge your support for the new Heart Center at Mercy General Hospital. One of the reasons my family and I choose to reside in East Sacramento is that it is a good established neighborhood that surrounds a well-regarded hospital, giving area residents access to medical care without having to drive a great distance. This makes for a good environment as well as a sound investment, considering the growing importance of healthcare in this country. The establishment of the Heart Center that is being proposed is, in my opinion, surely in the best interest of the neighborhood. Quality healthcare is in huge demand, and Mercy General was recently named one of the Top 100 Hospitals in the U.S. The more Mercy wants to invest in, update, and improve the facility is, in my opinion, a boon for area residents.

Additionally, the Heart Center is to me the epitome of the "smart growth" that you and your administration want to encourage. Centrally located, reachable by public transportation, and (I would assume) considered infill, this seems to be an environmentally sound project as well. The Heart Center will provide jobs, status, convenience, and quality health care to East Sacramento residents and residents of the City of Sacramento as a whole. Please give your support to the Heart Center project. Thank You.

Sincerely,
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