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Subject: Considering Protocols for Saranap Homeowner Appeals

Good morning Mary:

My wife Judy and I are long-term Saranap residents (since 1968) and members of the Saranap Homeowners Organization (SHO). We are adamantly opposed to the NEW Sufism Reoriented Religious Facility being proposed close to our home for a host of land use reasons which have been provided to the County to no avail to-date. I am also a member of the SHO "working group" who have submitted nine appeals on the decisions arrived at by the Planning Commission.

These appeals are scheduled to be heard on Feb 21. I am asking you to support the need for ten separate hearings. We are hearing that these appeals may be bundled together and feel that this would be a very poor decision. Please consider that these individual residents did not feel that the County staff or Planning Commission wanted to hear what they had to say through this lengthy process. They have now appealed to the BOS, filed their paperwork and paid their filing fee and they deserve their appeal to be heard by the Supervisors and a determination made prior to hearing the second Appeal and so on.

I can appreciate that this treatment of each Appeal would take more of your time but it is the right thing to do for these neighbors. The SHO represents more than 800 families in the Saranap which is substantial. Sufism members live primarily in rentals close to their current church and their membership represents about 2.5% of those voting in the Saranap and the great majority do NOT pay property taxes. To date, Sufism Reoriented has been granted unfettered access to the County staff and, with all due respect, the SHO membership cannot stand the thought of having these appeals bundled together and having to listen to Sufism advocates badger the Saranap residents for some 50 minutes, all at the same time.

Thanks for your consideration Mary,

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