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Subject: Please support day care in my neighborhood (Winmore)!

To the Carrboro Board of Alderman,

I understand that the issue of the childcare center in Winmore will be discussed at the Board of Alderman meeting tonight.

As a Winmore resident, I strongly support the daycare in my neighborhood, and ask that you support the proposal to allow the daycare center to proceed. My husband and I moved to Winmore last year, in part because we were attracted to the concept of a mixed use development.

My understanding is that the town of Carrboro required mix use in the development of Winmore. It would be ironic if the town now denies the very type of business that would make the neighborhood mixed use. Although my own child is too old to attend Goddard School, I love the idea of parents in my area of Carrboro having a child care center close to their homes. One of the parents in my office, who lives in southern Chapel Hill, is driving 40 minutes out of her way each day because she couldn't find child care near her home. A parent in my neighborhood is driving her child to Hillsborough every day for the same reason.

I admit that I am perplexed about opposition to the daycare center. I know that some of the strongest opponents are my neighbors in Claremont, most of whom are also my good friends. At the time they purchased their homes, perhaps these folks did not realize that having their streets connected to a mixed use neighborhood would create a different level of activity than other suburban neighborhoods in the area. However, the many apartments, townhouses, condos, affordable housing and businesses in my neighborhood will help to make Winmore a terrific place to live. I know that plans are underway for UNC to build affordable housing next to Winmore, and for a street to connect that neighborhood to mine. Yes, that will increase traffic too, but it will also bring more diversity and activity, which I think we should celebrate.

Please support the daycare in Winmore!

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(int) **From:** melvilbldr [mailto:melvilbldr@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2009 1:03 PM

To: Steven Stewart; James Thomas

Cc: ericbchupp@bellsouth.net

Subject: The Goddard School in Winmore

Mr. Stewart and Mr. Thomas,

We are writing to you in support of the Goddard School in Winmore and ask that you pass this e-mail along to the Board of Aldermen. We feel that it is extremely important not only for Winmore, but the citizens of Carrboro and Chapel Hill to have access to a high quality day care and preschool near their home. It does not make sense for people to drive thirty minutes to facilities in Durham or Chatham Counties. We personally do not feel that there is a traffic problem in this area and do not think the Goddard School will create a problem. For the past two years we have been working and now living in Winmore and there has not been a delay of more than a few seconds in turning left onto Homestead Rd. We must remember that this is not a big box retailer with a drive through window but a school. A school that will provide the very foundation of a child's future which will in turn better the future of this community.

It is very important in economic times as these to be sure that we invest in our future and not let opportunity pass us by. To do so would allow our community to slowly die and lose the vibrancy and forward thinking that has become synonymous with this area. We ask that you take a chance in our future and approve the Goddard School and allow Winmore to become the mixed use development that was originally intended. We ask this of you not only as a business owner but as a homeowner in Winmore.

Thank you,

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From: bagdrew [mailto:bagdrew@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2009 2:15 PM
To: Steven Stewart
Subject: Child care at Winmore :)

As a resident of Winmore I'm just sending you a quick note of support for the day care center. It is a needed for the Northern section of Carrboro, important in creating a walkable community and vital to the creation of community spirit. I know that traffic might be an issue. But parents need day care close to the Highschool and can't we spare a few extra seconds from our day to help out quality education and childcare? Thanks for your time, I know it's exceptionally valuable.

Take Care
Andrew Bagwell

From: mary carter [mailto:mary@hobnobpress.com]
Sent: Tuesday, November 17, 2009 3:33 PM
To: Steven Stewart
Cc: James Thomas
Subject: Support for the Goddard School in Winmore

Dear Town of Carrboro Board of Alderman (in c/o Steve Stewart),

I am writing in support of the Goddard School in the Winmore neighborhood in Carrboro.

My family and I live in the Winmore neighborhood. We were drawn to Winmore because it is a mixed use community with Green Building standards. The Goddard School would provide the Winmore neighborhood and Carrboro community with a missing mixed use piece: a child care facility.

Like the majority of our Winmore neighbors, my husband and I have children. We have two toddlers. They are eligible for the Goddard School. Currently, we drive into Chapel Hill 5 days a week to drop our kids off at child care. The Goddard School would allow us to walk our children to school, upholding the Green standard of Winmore while reducing traffic in the Carrboro/ Chapel Hill community.

Thank you for passing this email onto the Board prior to the next meeting. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any question or concern.

Best regards,
Mary

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