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Dear Judge,

I am writing to provide my testimony and support regarding the request for the purchase of the side street adjacent to my former neighbor Vicky's residence. I strongly believe that allowing this purchase will significantly improve the safety, security, and quality of life for the residents in the area.

I used to live adjacent to Vicky and experienced daily and nightly disruptions from individuals who loitered on the street. These individuals would park their cars, play loud music, and engage in narcotics and sexual activities, creating an environment that was not only disruptive but also dangerous. As a King County Metro Transit Operator at the time, and later as a King County Metro First Line Supervision, I found these disturbances particularly detrimental to my well-being, given the importance of sleep for my demanding job.

Vicky works from home and constantly must be on high alert for her and her daughters' safety due to the frequent conflicts arising next to her home. There have been numerous fights and even hit-and-run incidents involving intoxicated individuals pulling out of 43rd Street. We have experienced strangers jumping our fence and violently knocking on our front door in the middle of the night, adding to the sense of insecurity.

Despite numerous calls to the police, little action has been taken to address these issues. The lack of effective response has left us feeling discouraged and vulnerable. Additionally, the area has become a hotspot for graffiti, trash, and abandoned stolen cars, further degrading the neighborhood's quality of life. There was even a shooting on a nearby street, highlighting the escalating danger in our vicinity.

Given these circumstances, we were forced to move and sell our home after just 2.5 years due to the persistent issues associated with that street. The current situation is untenable and requires a proactive solution.

Allowing the purchase of the side street by Vicky would enable her to control access to the area, effectively eliminating the loitering and illegal activities that plague the neighborhood. Restricting car access to the park to maintenance vehicles only, via a walkway path wide enough to fit one vehicle, would also ensure the park remains accessible for its intended use without compromising the safety and tranquility of nearby residents.

This action would not only provide peace of mind for Vicky and her family but also create a safer environment for all residents in the area. It would help to restore a sense of community, reduce crime, and ultimately raise the quality of life for everyone affected by the current issues.

Thank you for considering this request. I am confident that allowing this purchase will lead to significant positive changes for the neighborhood. Please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email if you require any further information or clarification.

Thank you,



































Exhibit A1 -010

