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Dear Planning Commissioners, ZBA Members, County Commissioners:

I am writing this letter to you upon request of some of your residents whom would like me to share my experiences with industrial wind turbines sited close (1139') from my former home.

I am in the unique position to have experienced living at this distance and also to be appointed to both our county's ZBA as well as Planning Commission.

I began researching Industrial Scale Wind Turbines after a development was announced in close proximity to my former home. What I found were many reports of people experiencing a variety of sensations and health impacts, which seemed to increase as turbines are closer to residences. I independently researched and interviewed people worldwide prior to the development surrounding my former home. I hired experienced professionals to perform independent analysis regarding sound, impacts, and property values. I did not take at face value industry public relations campaign talking points, nor those same talking points echoed by politicians.

From my research and analysis, I predicted the impacts that would occur in my community regarding noise, flicker, and real estate values, etc.

Now after almost 3 years of operation, the research and our community's experience show these facts. Placing turbines within ½ mile of people's will negatively affect many resident's health, safety, and welfare. People will be harmed. Property values are harmed. Noise will impact many peoples sleep and wellbeing. The quality of many of your resident's lives will be negatively impacted.

After 4 long years of trying to sell our home we were finally able to after a significant price reduction. We sold a 2700 sq. ft. home, with 40x64x10 pole barn, detached work shop, along with 2 acres for \$139,000. Drastically under assessed, appraised, and taxable value. For 2 years we abandoned our bedroom and slept in our basement with prescriptions of antianxiety medication and taking sleep aids. My wife, a middle school science teacher, was fitted with a bite splint because she would clench her teeth at night while sleeping. We had severe and unrelenting headaches. Sleep was broken an rest was impossible many, many, many nights.

Now, since leaving our former home, neither of us has the headaches. We both sleep well. My wife no longer needs her bite splint. Life has returned to normal. You could not pay us to live in a wind farm again. NEVER!

Our experiences were not isolated. I know several other former neighbors who experience similar issues. Several neighbors have abandoned their homes because of the negative impacts.

By disregarding these warnings, you are knowingly and willfully harming your own residents.

Please consider these warnings. Research the facts. Protect the health, safety, and welfare of your community.

Best Regards,



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