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The Honorable Bill Proctor, District 1

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RE: Support for Staff Recommendation 1 on Agenda Item 20

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing on behalf of 1000 Friends of Florida to urge you to vote yes on Agenda Item 20, Staff Recommendation #1. This recommendation raises critical legal issues that the City needs to address.

But these legal concerns are just a part of the bigger picture.

As you know, 1000 Friends began raising concerns about plans for this parcel of land last year, when it was proposed for incorporation into the Urban Services Area. Our fundamental concerns remain. If approved, the annexation would set the stage for major development, with potential future impacts including:

- Increased traffic congestion on the historic North Meridian Canopy Road
- Impaired water quality on the already threatened Lake Jackson
- Major costs to taxpayers for roads and other infrastructure not covered by the developer
- Siphoning of taxpayer dollars badly needed for other unmet community needs
- Planning precedent that will pave the way for additional major development to the north and south of the property

For more information on our concerns, [please see our more detailed comments](#), sent to you on July 2.

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We sincerely appreciate the time each of you has taken to carefully review this issue and to meet with concerned citizens to discuss it in detail. Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on the proposed annexation and its impacts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vivian Young". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Vivian Young, FAICP
Special Projects Director Emeritus

cc: 1000 Friends of Florida President Paul Owens