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To whomever it may concern,

In response to the request for comments around the ZBA Variance application cited above by Janet Tatusko (JT) for the installation of an in-ground pool, since we live on Harbor Road (#9 diagonally opposite the JT property), we have two potential concerns: 1. construction noise and 2. traffic safety & noise.

1. **Construction Noise:** given the impact of the covid virus, my wife and I both now work from home and expect to for some time, and we're constantly on Zoom and conference calls. Since our home office directly faces the JT property, we're very concerned about the impact of the construction noise from the pool and related work. If the pool will be constructed with granite, marble or similar hard materials (not obvious from the documents posted with the application), the noise from cutting those materials is exceptionally high-pitched, piercing and extremely loud (akin to living next to constant dentist-type drilling). While we're assuming the pool construction will take place during the week (from 9-5), to avoid noise impact on the weekends, this will focus the construction noise during the work week.
2. **Traffic Safety & Noise:** as JT well knows from her prior efforts to mitigate the speeding traffic on Harbor Road, cars just seem to race up/down the road. It's already difficult to go for a walk (especially when cars are approaching from opposite directions at the same time). Given that, we're concerned that the construction workers' parked trucks and cars, with their comings and goings, could create a potential safety hazard on top of the current issue from the existing traffic. In addition, as the Harbor Road traffic slows down and speeds-up to weave around the parked construction trucks and cars, that will also further increase traffic noise.

Thank you for taking our concerns into your consideration with your review process.

Please confirm your receipt of this email.

Sincerely, Samira and Les Dinkin