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Dear Merced County Leaders ,

My husband and I purchased our Wathen home twenty years ago and were part of the first phase of homes here. We purposely chose to buy a home on a court so we could avoid a lot of traffic and pedestrians walking through. We knew the lot on Yosemite and G would eventually be developed and contain apartments, but not as many as what is currently being proposed. Our concerns for the impending development and apartment complex is the same as many of our neighbors. We are fearful of Sandpiper becoming a very busy thoroughfare with the 48 apartments going in, so I can only imagine how much worse that would be if the numbers were doubled. We spoke to a long time Merced County appraiser who said our home values will definitely decrease with a large number of high density homes being so near our homes (across the street). The other concern is the walls at the end of our courts and the limited height and openings. The recent Wathen homes built have very tall walls and no opening for people to walk through and we would like the same consideration. We are next to the end of a court and are very worried.

Sincerely,

Marney & Mory Kramer

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