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Michael Behrendt, Durham Town Planner
Town of Durham
8 Newmarket Road
Durham, NH 03824-2898

Dear Mr. Behrendt and members of the Planning Board:

On behalf of the University of New Hampshire, we are writing to express our concern regarding the proposed development of a café and outdoor entertainment venue at 2 Brook Way. The information received by the University indicates that beer and wine would be served and outdoor amplified music would occur. These activities would have a significant detrimental effect because of the close proximity to one of our largest residence halls, Stoke Hall, and one of our largest and active academic buildings, Paul College of Business and Economics.

The proposed activities at 2 Brook Way would be an unwelcomed and disruptive influence during the week, and even on weekend evenings would likely heighten incidents of public misbehavior that is a significant concern to both the University and the Town. We also expect that it would attract more non-students to this area directly adjacent to campus.

At this time the Town zoning does not allow cafés or outdoor entertainment venues in this neighborhood. We strongly urge the Town not to approve any of the necessary variances that would allow these uses to occur, unless alcohol service and outdoor amplified music are prohibited.

Sincerely,

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Christopher Clement
Vice President for Finance and Administration

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ted Kirkpatrick'.

Ted Kirkpatrick
Senior Vice Provost for Student Life and Dean of Students

cc:

William Janelle, David May, Mica Stark, Douglas Bencks – UNH
Todd Selig – Town of Durham