February 2, 2022

Dear Member of the Durham Planning Board and Mr. Rick Taintor,

We have been so fortunate to raise our kids in a neighborhood that was quiet and safe, with an enjoyable walk through the plaza and town to school.

I'm very concerned about what recent plans for the plaza plan would do to our beloved town, our neighborhood in particular, and especially the quality of life for the children. Safely walking to town, and safely spending allowance money at the old Brooks (now Rite Aid), the Durham Marketplace, and other local shops really helped foster their independence. There are so many concerns about the safety (of future adult residents, not just neighborhood children), noise, quality of life for the whole downtown area, and most importantly, the legality of the proposal.

Please be diligent in following conditional use zoning, previous legal settlements, and keep in mind what is truly best for the residents of Durham.

Thank you, Maura Slavin 10 Burnham Ave