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Sent: Thursday, December 03, 2020 10:11 AM

To: Michael Behrendt

Subject: Proposed boulevard entrance and parking lot on Church Hill

To: Michael Behrendt, Town Planner, Town of Durham

Members: Historic District Commission

Representatives: Planning Board, Town of Durham

Dear Michael,

We are writing to you to request that you make this letter part of the public comments for the record of deliberations by the Historic District Commission and the Planning Board. We have studied the submitted plans carefully. To say that we are opposed to the removal of trees, construction of a retaining wall, and boulevard entrance from Main Street, for the purpose of creating 183 parking spaces for the proposed Mill Plaza reconstruction, is an understatement. We are appalled that such a proposal would even be contemplated. Church Hill and Red Tower and the surrounding landscape are an iconic and integral part of our Historic District and townscape. As citizens we cannot allow ourselves to be bullied into agreeing to this ill-conceived proposal.

Sincerely,

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