

Testimony on ZTA 26-01 Data Center Commercial Uses - Data Center

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As a concerned resident of Montgomery County, I ask you PLEASE to issue a moratorium on data centers. Major issues with data centers have already been identified across the country including air and water pollution, sound and vibrations that negatively affect both people and animals, and rising costs of energy. And those are just the issues we're aware of; we will only discover more as our history with data centers lengthens. Especially at a time when utility costs are already unaffordable for many residents of our county, we literally cannot afford to jump into data centers without studies, policies, and safeguards in place. We do not need more AI. We need affordable energy and clean air and water.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

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