

February 6, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

My husband and family have been a resident of Clarksburg Town Center since 2018. My husband and I originally lived in Chicago, IL and moved to Maryland permanently in January 2017 with our 18-month-daughter. When we were looking to purchase our first home, we choose the "new build" townhouse partially because of the retail development that was planned just blocks from our townhouse. Having lived in Chicago most of our lives, we were used to walking to retail shops, and we were delighted that we would be able to do so in our new neighborhood. We purchased our townhouse in December 2018. Once we moved in, however, we learned that the field that was promised for the retail center had been empty for decades, and that there was concern that it would be difficult to find an anchor store. When the COVID-19 pandemic struck, while we were excited to add another edition to our family, we were more than a little discouraged that we would not get the retail development.

Consequently, when Weis agreed to open a grocery store in the retail development, which would be the anchor to the development, we were overjoyed. A grocery shop so close to our home is a dream. We fully understand that, as part of the agreement to open their grocery store, Weis needs to have gas pumps. We fully support Weis installing the gas pumps for the grocery store, as they are expedient, convenient, and useful to the public. We hope that there is no further delay in building the retail center that was not only promised to this community for decades, but something this community desperately needs.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The first signature is on the left and the second is on the right, both appearing to be cursive and fluid.

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Exhibit 39 (e)  
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