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Pima County Board of Supervisors
130 W. Congress Street 5th Floor
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Supervisors:

Please accept this letter as a voice of concern for the new development, Briar Rose, case # Co9-15-002, planned for a community in my school district. First, I would like to say that I am not opposed to development or growth, as we welcome and celebrate both.


The reason for my concern for this development is the possible danger it could bring to the Ironwood Elementary School community, specifically our students. This area is already congested with traffic at the beginning of each school day. To add more homes into the community without a plan for ingress/egress, I fear will only contribute to the congestion and create a more dangerous situation for our students.

When many of our schools were built, the students walked to school, helping to ease any traffic congestion at the site. Ironwood Elementary School has 10 + school busses bringing students to school, as well as hundreds of parents each morning. Many mornings, community members have a lengthy wait at the stop sign at W. Freer Road and N. Camino de la Tierra before they can turn right on N. Camino de la Tierra to exit the community. This situation creates a level of tension among residents that is unproductive for all of us.

Please do not consider this a letter opposing development or growth, but a letter of concern for the amount of traffic congestion another development in this community could bring, causing a possibly dangerous situation for our students.

Thank you for your time.

Regards,



Doug Wilson, Ed.D.
Superintendent

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