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Dear Representatives

First, I would like to thank you for your time and for allowing me to speak.

The Rose Township Board of Trustees of Oakland County is asking that you oppose House Bill 4095.

Please leave local zoning in the hands of the elected and appointed officials on boards who represent our community... who could be better at deciding what is best for our township than the people that have homes and family's here, those people are our neighbors.

I held a meeting at our Township hall last week with our district Representative Mike Mueller. We had close to 100 residents in attendance and of those who spoke the majority opposed this Bill. Many stated that allowing 10 children would be a determent to them. Which is what former Governor Snyder stated when he chose to not sign the bill last year.

We are not haters of children in fact we are the complete opposite of that. I worked in public education for 12 years. Residents who have dedicated their entire carriers to children as educators in low income areas spoke against the Bill. Some who spoke against it had adopted children, and some had raised foster children themselves and one had a background in social services. One man who opposed this bill had been raised by a foster family himself. More is not better.

After an hour and 40 minutes of discussion from residents, the owner of House of Providence, his lobbyist and 4 township supervisors. Representative Mueller told us that he would oppose HB 4095. I wish you all could have been there

Many communities like Rose already have a procedure in place to allow this type of zoning. This Bill was written for a special interest group who built a home for ten children in an area that only allows up to 6 children and does not have a plan in place to increase the amount allowed. Instead of approaching the boards in this community to change their zoning this special interest group instead asks you to change zoning that would affect every community in the state of Michigan that has a 20-acre parcel.

You represent the people of this great state. Many who reside in townships similar to Rose.

With the greatest of respect, I ask you to vote on behalf of local government and leave the zoning in our hands and not a special interest group and in the opinion of our former governor the children and oppose HB 4095

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