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To whom it may concern,

My family has lived on Hayden Lake for some twenty years. Over that time, the atmosphere of the lake has changed dramatically, from quite rural to the present semi-residential congestion. As you would expect, we have mourned the loss of simplicity. And with all the private development everywhere we have become more than concerned about the growth in population effects. You, of course, are in a position to understand those changes firsthand. And while you may not have direct feelings on the issue, I'm sure you can empathize.

The marina has seen its expansion over this time. Any business should be successful with little to no competition. With more competition further expansion might be a rational idea. But it appears this business is not concerned about filling a need of the lake, but just increasing their financial bottom line.

Hayden Lake has always been a mostly residential lake. The services, roads, sewer and electrical, etc., are not convenient to keep up with the expansion of development. Already the roads are packed with little increase in things like police presence.

We have children that have to cross the road to get to our dock. Both commercial and private traffic is a threat to them. The thought of adding to a mostly already unrestricted vehicle environment is a chilling possibility. Also, there has to be a limit, at some point, on growth to protect the health of the lake in general, above and below the surface.

We strongly disagree with this expansion. There are, of course, many more reasons for our position but this letter is much longer than your time allows. Please protect our living environment and children from any further increase in risk. We love our lake, as I am sure you do also.

Thank you for your time,

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