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To: Zine, Natalie
Subject: EX: Objection to Petition #4666 – Proposed Solar Farm, Elgin Township (Highland Ave.)

Kane County Zoning Board of Appeals

Re: Objection to Petition #4666 – Proposed Solar Farm, Elgin Township (Highland Ave.)

Dear Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals,

I am writing to formally object to Petition #4666, which proposes the development of a solar farm on Highland Avenue in Elgin Township, directly adjacent to the West Highland Acres Subdivision.

This proposed location is highly inappropriate for an industrial-scale solar development. The project site directly borders established residential properties, effectively placing a commercial energy facility in the backyards of families who have invested in and maintained their homes for many years. Such development would negatively impact the character, livability, and property values of this neighborhood.

Additionally, the City of Elgin has expressed opposition to this proposed site and has a broader vision and long-term plan for these properties—one that is far more compatible with residential and community development goals. As members of the surrounding community, we strongly support the City of Elgin's vision for this area and urge the Board to respect and align with that position.

While renewable energy initiatives are important, they must be sited responsibly, in locations that do not compromise established neighborhoods and community growth plans. The Highland Avenue site fails to meet that standard.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that Petition #4666 be denied.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kind regards

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