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CANANDAIGUA, NY 14424

July 31, 2017

Eric Cooper, Zoning Officer
Town of Canandaigua
5540 Routes 5 & 20
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Re: Onnalinda Drive pending subdivision

Dear Mr. Cooper:

We are not against the proposed subdivision; however, we are concerned about the effect it may have on the physical condition and traffic/pedestrian safety of Onnalinda Drive and drainage issues.

We feel that property owners should have the right to develop their property within the constraints of the jurisdiction their property is located in.

Our property was purchased in August 2004. We added additional property to our initial purchase several years later.

We understand that George Perrin, former owner of the property under consideration attempted to subdivide many years ago. There are several water wells in the area that were probably drilled by him for his proposed subdivision. We have also been told that his attempt at subdivision was turned down because Onnalinda Drive was not suitable access to West Lake Road. It is also our understanding that in 2009 a similar subdivision was proposed and denied again because Onnalinda Drive did not provide suitable access to West Lake Road.

What has changed since George Perrin's original proposal or the 2009 proposal that would make Onnalinda Drive now suitable access to West Lake Road?

Onnalinda Drive is a glorified driveway serving many homes. It was certainly not constructed to handle heavy traffic including the construction and delivery vehicles using it this past year. The road is narrow and certainly not up to the standards of a dedicated road. This is a private road and as such the deeds of existing homeowners' rules at whose expense the road is to be maintained. It

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would not seem unreasonable for the road improvements, if required, to be funded by those parties looking to expand the number of residences served by the road.

Despite the above we come back to the original question. If Onnalinda Drive was not suitable to serve as access for additional development two times in the past, what has changed to now make it suitable?

There is increased traffic on the road because of construction vehicles, additional vehicles at homes where children are now reaching driving age and additional guests. Two vehicles cannot pass each other without one or both having to veer off the road, usually resulting in a vehicle bottoming out or getting dangerously close to the adjacent drainage ditches and rocks.

Our concern is that if traffic increases the road will need to be improved to safely accommodate the additional activity. If the town feels compelled to increase the number of residential sites where it declined to do so in the past, it needs to contribute to the physical condition of the road.

Since purchasing our property in 2004 we have seen many water and drainage issues along Onnalinda Drive. If additional residences are added we would hope that the town takes a serious look at the impact upon drainage issues.

Please share this letter with appropriate boards and individuals. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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