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Ms. Dorothy Ellinwood  
Secretary  
McKownville Improvement Association  
22 Elmwood Street  
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Dear Ms. Ellinwood:

I take exception to the comments contained in your letter under date of January 6 addressed to Mr. Thomas Cairns regarding what you unilaterally have concluded to be adverse traffic patterns that might be caused by a civic center located on SUNYA land off Fuller Road.

Your objections indicate a "not in my backyard" approach to a proposal which President Vincent O'Leary has sensitively addressed and concluded will not at all adversely impact the Washington Avenue Extension or adjacent roadways. Obviously, further in-depth studies of traffic patterns will be conducted.

There really are no other sites which have the capability for providing less of an impact on vehicular traffic than does the SUNYA site.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Hon. Thomas Cairns  
Hon. James J. Coyne  
Hon. Vincent O'Leary  
Vincent J. McArdle, Jr., Esq.