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Hi Michelle,

A comment for the blue folders or perhaps supplemental on the website?

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**Subject:** SEABA repeal of denied conditional use permit  
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Hello Mayor and Assembly Members,

I am writing you in response to SEABA's appeal of the Planning Commission decision to deny a conditional use permit for their property at 26 mile. I have lived at 26 mile for 18 years. I have always been opposed to the idea of any heliport in my neighborhood. There are many reasons for my opposition and I don't feel the need to go into them now because I have already done that many times.

The reason for my letter is to express my hope that their appeal never makes it to the Borough Assembly agenda. The last time the assembly considered a heliport on SEABA's 26 mile property, the permit was denied. The assembly deliberated over their decision for a very long time. I recall it being about 2/12 hours of assembly member time spent on this decision. At that time, my understanding was that they would not be able to apply for a conditional use permit again for this property and that the only way to overturn the decision of the assembly would be with a court order. Now, with a new assembly in place, a new business plan and a new site 400 feet away from the original

site, we are all back to where we were a couple years ago. It is extremely frustrating that this issue never seems to die. The residents have had to fight the same fight over and over again to protect our neighborhood from a heliport. None of the people who spoke at the recent Planning Commission meeting in support of this proposed heliport live at 26 mile. Some of them have property at 26 mile, but none of them actually live here.

SEABA's strategy seems to be to "beat us down" until we finally agree. When I say "us", I mean the opposed residents and the assembly. At some point, SEABA needs to be told that no means no, just as we teach our children. Acting like children and spoiled brats should not be reason to have the assembly revisit this issue. Having a new angle should not be a reason either. Please tell them that no means no so we can all get on with our lives. For me, that means getting on with a peaceful life that I have worked hard to protect. We should not allow any more time for this issue.

As you consider your decision, please ask yourselves if you should have faith in SEABA's ability to abide by the conditions of any permit they hold when they have consistently shown you that they break the rules! I hope you will all take time to mindfully consider my comments. And, I hope that if you see me at a future Borough Assembly meeting it will be because of my interest in a different issue.

Respectfully,  
Becky Hunt