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My husband and I are 42 year residents of the Town of Woodbury in Highland Mills, New York. We are opposing the annexation of land by the Kyrias Joel community as we believe it will negatively effect many areas of our town and have profound impact on Orange County as a whole. We have recently retired and are currently on a fixed income and see this expansion as a tremendous financial challenge to the town and ultimately to us as taxpayers. We worry about zoning laws changing and the creation of more cluster housing. This definitely effects the value of our home. We are even more concerned about the water/sewage situation. The Harriman plant is already overtaxed. We worry about the number of families in the Kyrias Joel community who are adding to the rise in our social services budget. We worry because they have not been "good neighbors" and do not readily adhere to local building codes/LAWS.

Why they were made lead agency given their past history is a mystery to us. However, we cannot change that now. We do not believe that the Environmental Impact Statement as released truly reflects the reality of what the communities of Monroe & Woodbury will be faced with if this annexation is approved. It is not in the public interest of Monroe, Woodbury or Orange County.

Thank you for your time.

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