

## **Item 9 - Correspondence**

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**Subject:** Calverton Testimony WAH Site Plan Amendment No 82008021K  
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Good morning Honorable Anderson,

I have attached the Calverton Testimony for the Hearing on September 23 for the WAH Site Plan Amendment 82008021K.

Thank you,  
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September 22, 2020

Mr. Casey Anderson, Chair  
Montgomery County Planning Board  
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RE: Washington Adventist Hospital: Site Plan Amendment No. 82008021K

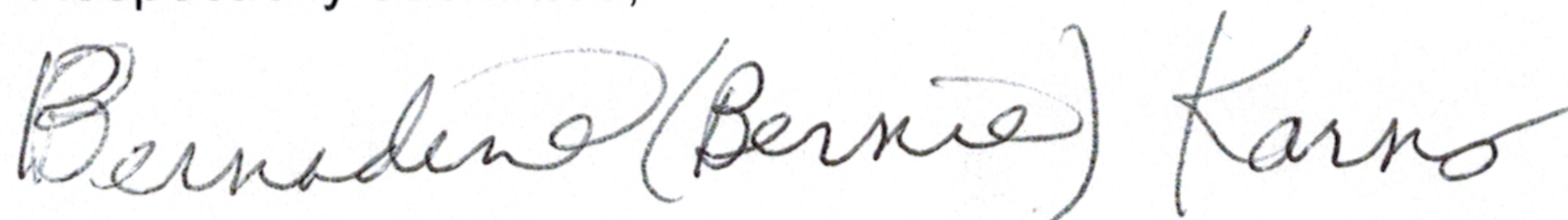
Honorable Anderson:

The Calverton community wants to thank you and the Planning Board for this opportunity to give testimony on the Washington Adventist Hospital Site Plan Amendment.

It is good to hear that the hospital is amending the plan for the long term need for patients regarding the current COVID-19 health crisis. Let us hope that everyone is also planning for all future potential health crises or pandemics. We are glad to hear that the hospital is just shifting square footage construction between buildings so that the 8<sup>th</sup> floor can be added to the top of the Main Hospital. Calverton approves this decision and this part of the amendment.

Calverton got a little worried about the Healing Way part of the amendment. We did not know what to think when we heard that Healing Way was going to become a private road. Did this mean that the road was only going to be used by the hospital and that it was not going to be an egress or ingress for the new Viva White Oak multi-use development? Did this mean that there would only be two access points to Viva White Oak – FDA Boulevard and Industrial Parkway? We are happy to see that the amendment plan continues to keep Healing Way “subject to the standard private road conditions, which requires the private road and associated improvements to remain available for public access, (page 13).” Viva White Oak needs as many roads for egress and ingress as possible to accommodate the traffic associated with this large multi-use development. Please ensure that Healing Way is open for public traffic that will be coming and going to the Viva White Oak development. Keeping Healing Way open for public access is imperative for the success of traffic flow that in turn will make the Viva White Oak development a success.

Respectfully submitted,



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