

Fwd: Proposed Closure of Ben Atchley Street

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Dear Commissioner,

It has been brought to my attention that there will be a hearing this Thursday, March 14th to discuss closing Ben Atchley Street. I have a shop in the Southern Market, and feel this road is essential for the ease of access to the Southern Market from Kingston Pike. Closure of this road would reduce traffic for the shop, which is of great concern as it has been very difficult for small shop owners over the past few years. The closing of the Ben Atchley road would have a significant impact to all the shop owners at the Southern Market. Please consider the many shop owners that would be impacted, and allow Ben Atchley Street to remain open.

Thanks. Sincerely,

Lois Idol Profile in Time Southern Market



Fwd: Against Ben Atchley Street Closure

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Dear Commissioner,

This letter is concerning the petition of Tony Cappiello to close Ben Atchley Street, a connecting street between Kingston Pike and Homberg Drive.

The Southern Market has been a thriving business on Homberg Drive for over 15 years. Ben Atchley Street provides a direct route from Kingston Pike to our location, and as one of approximately 50 merchants having a small shop at Southern Market, I am extremely concerned that its closure would cause great economic harm to our businesses.

The closure of Ben Atchley Street would reroute our store traffic to the intersection of Homberg Drive and Kingston Pike at Naples Restaurant. This is a very awkward and dangerous intersection. The hazard of this intersection would adversely affect the accessibility of our store to traffic on Kingston Pike.

While we welcome the addition of new businesses to the Bearden area, we regret that the closure of Ben Atchley Street would negatively affect both the access and visibility of the established businesses on Homberg Drive

Please carefully consider the all consequences of this road closure to the small businesses on Homberg Drive when making this important decision.

Respectfully,

Kathy Miller

The French Hen

Southern Market

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