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Members of the Commission:

My great-grandmother, Sallie Davis Green, was born in 1878 and lived near the proposed second entrance to the Post Oak development. Her son and daughter-in-law, Calvin and Violet Green, built two houses on this hill where I now live. My father, John Green, and his brothers were born and grew up here, attended the church in the distance, and kept the house and the hill for me and my sons, Johnathan and David.

My grandmother Violet described a visit by Callen Sherrill and his daughter Betty, who climbed the hill to visit in a brand-new, horse-drawn surry! Then, finally, time and progress brought some cars and real estate development: Cove Point neighbors who built good houses on large lots and others who built on 'estate lots' - many who became dear friends and enriched our neighborhood.

Until the late 1980's waking up on the hill meant that one could enjoy an astounding sunrise and a deep QUIET. But progress brought the Pellissippi Parkway and the continuous 24-hour roar of traffic. (The sunrise is still soul-enriching, however.)

And naturally, thirty more years has brought more change, and more development, and more people, many who have remained strangers. The traffic on the Pellissippi is something we have learned to rise and live above.

But the traffic on Tooles Bend now, BEFORE any additional development, is a daily trial. I come down my driveway, roll to the edge of the intersection, check both ways, and FLOOR IT. Often when I then glance in the rear-view mirror, a car is 'on my tail', slowing down to accommodate me. The main thing I have learned about most of the 'strangers' south of me on Tooles Bend is that they like to drive fast, even on the blind curves of the road. If they could only understand that I am very fond of the rear end and right side of my car!

And THAT is the problem I have with Post Oak development as it now stands: the main entrance will be on the rock-cut curve in front of my driveway and will mean so very many more daily chances to lose my car, and even my life. The road is, and will be, TOO DANGEROUS.

With utmost sincerity,

Joyce Green Cornett