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“Where There Is Unity, There Is Strength”

May 16, 2021

Dear Mayor, Commissioners & Manager:

The Northern Hills Neighborhood Association is increasingly frustrated with the lawlessness and dangerous drag racing on Gettysburg between Free Pike and Salem Ave.

Our association brought this unacceptable and unbelievable situation to the attention of City Officials and the Sheriff's Office over a year ago. We met at the site where the drag racing and deviant behavior is occurring. The Dayton Police Chief and Staff, along with the Sheriff and his staff attended the meeting. Commissioner Jeff Mims also attended and was the only City of Dayton elected official present.

We sent the letter to all of you and we thank Commissioner Mims for his presence. Our association was informed that several steps would be taken:

1. The installation of cameras at the site of occurrence.
2. Speed bumps at the site of occurrence.
3. Discussion with business owners in the area about their responsibilities.
4. And other measures.

Over a year has passed and the situation is now worse than ever. While our residents have continued to call the police to protect us from the dangerous happenings on Gettysburg, we should have long since addressed this embarrassment and black eye on the City of Dayton (Not to Mention the Danger).

We now need for all of you to get on board and get Northern Hills, the cameras and speed bumps immediately. We know that the police alone cannot resolve the problem or stay on-site 24/7.

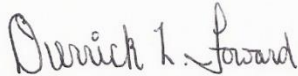
Our interest is not to study the problem, but stop it. The police are frustrated and need your help also. Immediate follow-thru on the aforementioned measures will indicate to the perpetrators and our residents that the City is serious about this calamity. We respect the wishes of other areas and what they determine they need, but we need you to move on the basic measures we discussed.

These actions will slow the racing, curtail the crowds that gather in excess of 500 people and cars, and send a signal to those who do not respect the citizens and the City, that enough is enough.

We appreciate that there are other measures along with the ones we were told that would happen, but please follow-thru with what you told us.

Our time is limited and we are in a dangerous crisis, the City can stop it if it deems it important!

Your community servant,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Derrick L. Foward". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Dr. Derrick L. Foward
President
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“A Community of Love, Dignity and Respect!”