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Subject: Opposition Letter to 19 Cannon Rd Development

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Chair Sanders,
Attached for your review is our letter to the HD&HP Commission expressing our opposition to the plan for development of 19 Cannon Road. Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter. Thank you. Steven Georgeou
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March 20, 2022

Historic District & Historic Property Commission
Town Hall
238 Danbury Road
Wilton, CT 06897

Chair Sanders and Members:

Re: 19 Cannon Road

By way of this letter, we are expressing our opposition to the unrestrained development proposed for 19 Cannon Road and request that the Commission recommend against it for the following reasons:

The historic nature of Cannondale is unparalleled in Wilton and has remained relatively unchanged. One simply needs to read Cannondale A Connecticut Neighborhood by Wilton Historical Society or Wilton Connecticut by Bob Russell to appreciate how all of Wilton's growth and history is embedded in Cannondale.

The National Register of Historic Places lists 15 buildings on Cannon Road as part of The Connecticut SP Cannondale Historic District. Though not included in this designation, No. 19 was built in 1860 — over one hundred sixty years ago.

8-30g is an ill conceived legislation that treats all transit locations equally regardless of the historic value of the neighborhood and strips local governments and organizations like the Historic District and Historic Property Commission of its powers to protect historic buildings and neighborhoods.

Cannondale residents recognize the importance of preservation and specifically the need to protect Cannondale. In 2008 Cannondale neighbors brought to a vote the establishment of a historic district along Cannon Road and seventy-four percent of the property owners voted in favor of the historic district.

This desire to protect Cannondale from excessive development was also evident by the letters submitted by Cannon Road residents and attendees at the P&Z virtual meeting on March 14, 2022.

It is clear that the property owners of Cannondale have spoken recently and consistently in the past that Cannondale is a unique Wilton neighborhood, worthy of sensible development that recognizes its history, architecture and cohesiveness.

Sincerely,
Steven & Tina Georgeou