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Re: Brownland Farm Development

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I represent, and write on behalf of, Betty Lou Glenn and Lark Foster, co-trustees of the Walter M. Glenn and Betty Lou Glenn Revocable Living Trust (Restated) u/a/d April 28, 2010, the owners of the real property located at 1109 Hillsboro Road, Franklin, Tennessee (the "Flower Power Property"). This property is currently leased to SiteOne Landscape Supply. SiteOne, and its predecessor in interest, John Deere Landscapes (originally known as McGinnis Farms), has conducted business here for many years. As many of you may recall, prior to those companies' operations, the late Mr. Glenn and Mrs. Glenn, along with certain of their children, owned and operated Flower Power at this location.

The Glenn family has been quietly following the proceedings related to the development of the Anderton family's Brownland Farm by Gamble Design Collaborative (the "Developer"). They now believe it is time to voice their opinion. This time has come for a multitude of reasons, not the

least of which is their recent discovery of some inaccurate statements made by the Developers concerning the Flower Power Property.

A few months ago the Developers approached my clients and sought their approval for the installation of an emergency access road over and across the Flower Power Property as part of the planned development of Brownland Farm. This emergency access road, according to the Developers, would only be used by first responders when necessary to circumvent flooding in the area of the Hillsboro Road-Mack Hatcher Parkway intersection; flooding which is expected to be exacerbated by the development of Brownland Farms. The Developer has approached various representatives of the Glenn family several times since that initial contact, each time attempting to entice the Glens to grant that access. My clients, for a variety of reasons, have declined each of their proffers.

Recently, however, it has come to my clients' attention that the Developer has informed - or at least alluded to - the City of Franklin that they have obtained that access. Please be advised the any averment, assertion, or intimation by the Developer that the right to install the emergency access road has been obtained from my clients is entirely false. At no time did the either of the co-trustees agree to allow the Developer to construct that road, or ever even enter into any negotiations with the Developer concerning it. My clients have been and remain opposed to construction of any access road of any kind over and across the Flower Power Property. Similarly, my clients have been and remain opposed to any development of Brownland Farm that would in any way adversely affect the Harpeth River (including, without limitation, increased flooding of the Flower Power Property and other property along the river), the traffic and traffic patterns in the vicinity of the development, and the ability of emergency services vehicles to traverse the Hillsboro Road-Mack Hatcher Parkway intersection during periods of flooding.

That being said, my clients are mindful of the Andertons' right to sell or develop their property; and, nothing in this letter should be construed as taking any stance against that right. The Glenn family simply believes that the detrimental effects of the development as proposed outweigh the benefit it may provide to the City and the areas surrounding the proposed development. Likewise, they believe that this development as proposed fails to meet the Major Objectives, Guiding Principles, and other elements enunciated in Envision Franklin. For these reasons my clients respectfully urge you to decline to allow rezoning of the Brownland Farm development as currently proposed.

On behalf of the Glenn family, please allow me to express their appreciation for the consideration you will give this letter. If you have any questions or wish to discuss this further, please feel free to contact me. Until then, I remain

Very truly yours,


Jackson M. Welch, Jr.

cc: File 3371-11