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To whom it may concern,

I was recently solicited at the El Dorado Hills post office to sign a petition in favor of apartments at the El Dorado Hills Town Center. I am writing to share our strong opposition for such a project. The last thing this county needs is more apartments particularly at that location because of the following reasons:

1. Ingress, egress are already an issue.
2. The project is way too large and not consistent with the natural beauty and feel of the area.
 - a. Much different and larger than the intended boutique hotel that was/is planned.
 - b. There are already many apartments located nearby.
3. Apartments are always an issue because they lack ownership to the property and area.
 - a. If anything, mixed retail with high-end condos on top, which support the ownership piece and also would be consistent with the area - transitional apartments are NOT.
 - b. Currently issues of theft and other crime are as a result of the nearby trailer park and apartments (i.e. the people that reside there).
4. This project is a shortsighted response to not being able to attract the boutique hotel they wanted. The economy will continue to improve and other quality projects will avail themselves. This area can and has the potential to support a number of high end projects.

Please do not give in to the developers who build these things which are "cash cows" for them. The developers never live in the community where they exist, leaving those that do with all the associated problems. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions at

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Sincerely,

Justin Risley