Dear Dr. Rosemary Sandford,

I am writing to express my support for a large-scale residential development in South Hobart.

I believe that Hobart needs to be building more medium and high density residential facilities in order to prevent urban sprawl. This urban sprawl has huge negative impacts in cities like Melbourne and Sydney, where commuter travel times have increased phenomenally over the past 10-15 years.

The site proposed in Wynyard Street has the advantage of already having good public transport infrastructure (South Hobart bus routes) and a well-maintained bicycle and pedestrian pathway to the city of Hobart. Other infrastructure is also in place in the nearby "village" area of South Hobart, including a pharmacy, post office, restaurants and cafes, grocery stores, and even a bicycle shop to help encourage use of the aforementioned bicycle path.

Instead of trying to prevent this development, I would rather see the South Hobart Progress Association work to make this development an even more positive development. For example, work with the developer to advertise itself as sustainable, thereby encouraging tenants to not use cars as their primary transport. Additions such as solar panels and rainwater tanks would further increase the sustainability of this project and would enhance the image of South Hobart.

If well-built sustainable high-density residential options become available in South Hobart, it would set a fantastic precedent for the rest of Hobart! The last thing we need is for more and more single-family homes to be built on the outskirts of Hobart, pushing the wildlife, both flora and fauna, further into endangered status.

Let's support high-density living. There are huge benefits to having more people in smaller areas, rather than spreading these same people out into areas not supported by transport and other infrastructure.

I hope that you will consider supporting the proposed South Hobart residential development, and working in a positive way with the developer in order to make the proposed development even better.

With kind regards,

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