Don & Caroline Naysmith 5014 N. Sharon Amity Drive Charlotte, NC 28215

April 18, 2007

Dear Neighbor,

By way of introduction, we are Don and Caroline Naysmith, longtime residents of Charlotte and your new neighbors. We have just purchased the historic Alexander house and the 4 acres it sits on at the corner of N. Sharon Amity Road and Shamrock Drive.

As you probably are aware, the house has remained un-restored for a very long time. But, it is still of significant importance and was nominated to the National Register of Historic Places by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission. Historic properties which need extensive restoration often require a change in use in order to support the restoration work and on-going upkeep. Our desire is to restore the house, according to the federal government's standards for historic properties, and produce beautiful weddings and receptions there for the residents of Charlotte. This plan requires a conditional use and change in zoning, for which we have applied. We have also applied for sewer, water and gas to be extended to the house, which should be advantageous to adjoining properties.

We are hosting a meeting at the Alexander House, 5014 N. Sharon Amity Road, on Tuesday, May 1st, at 7:30 PM and you are invited to join us. At that time we will review our site plan and present our vision for the future use of the property and its positive impact for the neighborhood. There will also be time to go over any questions you may have.

We look forward to meeting you on the 1st of May!

Sincerely,

The Naysmith's

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May 3, 2007

Charlotte-Mecklenburg
Department of Planning Zoning

Dear Sir/Madam:

On May 1, 2007, we enjoyed a meeting with over 40 of our neighbors from the list of over 200 which we invited to the community meeting.

Being able to host this meeting at the historic house certainly brought more interested neighbors. Three large copies of the sight plan were available and the people were certainly interested and excited about the potential. We explained the project, and had an open question and answer time. The response was 100% positive without exception.

The Alexander Family attended and gave some background regarding the history of the estate. Several representatives from neighborhood associations attended with specific questions.

Specific questions that were asked:

- Will the rezoning provide jobs for the area? (Ans. Yes)
- Will there be a fence? (Ans. Yes, an attractive decorative fence)
- What kind of use is allowed in "B2" zoning? (conditional use)

Specific responses and comments from attendees included:

- Community leaders wanted to know how they could help
- Individuals asked what we needed (dirt, specific skills etc.)
- "Thrilled"
- Community leader stated that this will be focal point for revitalization of this
 area.

Several of the neighbors said that they would like to attend the city open house forum and also the hearing to give their full support.

We have included a couple of pictures taken at the meeting.

Sincerely,

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