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Yachats Planning Commission Yachats Civic Meeting Room 441 N. Highway 101 Yachats, OR 97498

Ref: Property at 235 King Street, Yachats: application for conditional use permit to operate a 3 bedroom Bed & Breakfast within a single family dwelling.

Dear Committee Members:

My home is located at the far-east end of King Street. I have owned that property for over 18 years and my wife and I use our home approximately six months or more each year. We have a second home in Southern California. We have frequent visits from friends and family when we are in Yachats.

Ms. Calista Snively has contacted me personally concerning her plan to obtain a Bed and Breakfast license for her home at 235 King Street. While I am not personally against her plan, I do have serious concerns about the parking and traffic which could be a detriment to our street. King Street is very narrow from 7th Street to my property (the last property on the street). Parking and traffic on King Street is a problem. Many times, when I have driven up or down the street, cars in the opposite direction have made it difficult and dangerous (since one car must back up in order to allow room for the other car to pass.) Large trucks (garbage/UPS/Delivery/emergency vehicles, etc.) often have difficulty on the road because of its narrow width. I have mentioned this to Ms. Snively who has talked to me about her plan. She says that only one car will be permitted for any guests that she has, and cars will be parked in her driveway. However, even now, she herself often parks on the street, creating a more difficult ability to get by.

While I am sympathetic to her situation, I do not feel that it is appropriate to allow the Planning Commission to approve the request to operate a B&B at her home. King Street is made up of single-family residences which have been purchased or built by residents who want the tenor of the neighborhood to remain the same...single family homes for folks who hope to maintain the quiet, beautiful spot that it is.

Very truly yours,