



STATEMENT OF THE LONG ISLAND BUILDERS INSTITUTE

THE LONG ISLAND BUILDERS INSTITUTE, THE LARGEST RESIDENTIAL BUILDER TRADE ASSOCIATION IN NEW YORK STATE, WISHES TO CONTINUE TO EXPRESS ITS SUPPORT FOR THE POSITION THAT ZONING AT THE ENTERPRISE PARK IN CALVERTON SHOULD CONTINUE TO ALLOW FOR UP TO 300 HOUSING UNITS DIRECTLY CONNECTED TO INDUSTRIAL USERS AT THE PARK.

IN MANY CASES, THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THE ABILITY TO PROVIDE HOUSING AT THE SAME LOCATION AS OTHER INDUSTRIAL USES IS AN ESSENTIAL NEED OF THOSE COMPANIES WHO ARE INTERESTED IN LOCATING THEIR BUSINESS. WHILE WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT WHOLESALE HOUSING SHOULD BE THE MAJOR FOCUS OF DEVELOPMENT AT ENTERPRISE PARK, WE DO BELIEVE THAT A SMALL HOUSING COMPONENT, CONNECTED IN SOME MANNER TO THE EMPLOYEES OF ANY INDUSTRIAL COMPANY LOCATING AT THE PARK, CAN BE A MAJOR SELLING POINT IN HOW THE PARK IS EVENTUALLY DEVELOPED. IN MANY LOCATIONS ACROSS LONG ISLAND, THE OLD SEGREGATION OF INDUSTRIAL, RETAIL AND HOUSING USES IS BREAKING DOWN AND USES ARE NOW BEING INTERGRATED AT THE SAME SITE, TO THE BENEFIT OF ALL. WHILE A LIMITED NUMBER OF HOUSING UNITS MAY OR MAY NOT BE IN THE FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR ENTERPRISE PARK, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT ELIMINATING THE OPTION COMPLETELY IS IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE TOWN. WE URGE THE TOWN BOARD TO ALLOW FOR THE POSSIBLE USE OF A PORTION OF THIS PROPERTY FOR HOUSING CONNECTED TO THE INDUSTRIAL USES.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF OUR VIEWS.

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