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Petition 111SVA-00PB

October 27, 2000

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Quasi-Judicial Registration Form

Name: (please print) Pierce K. & Helene C. BULLEN

Property Address: 118 NW 20th Terrace, Gainesville, FL 32603
(mailing address: 6210 Utah Ave. NW, Washington, Dc 20015)

Telephone Number: (202)-966-7114

Please indicate whether you are for or against this petition: FOR or AGAINST (mark "X")

Please indicate whether you are requesting a Formal Hearing: YES or NO (mark "X")

Pierce K. Bullen *Helene C. Bullen* Nov. 1, 2000

Complete the following section of the form only if you are requesting a formal quasi-judicial hearing:

(Please refer to the enclosed Quasi-Judicial Hearing sheet contained in this mail-out for more information.)

As an affected person receiving notice of the Public Hearing on Petition 111SVA-00 PB, I hereby request, that the City Commission conduct a formal quasi-judicial hearing as described above.

Signature: _____

This form and exhibits to be presented to the City Commission must be delivered to the Clerk of the Commission at least 7 days prior to the Public Hearing as stated in the notification letter sent to you. The Clerk of the Commission Office is located at City Hall, 1st floor, 200 East University Avenue, Gainesville, Florida. Forms may be mailed to the following address: Clerk of the Commission - Station 19, Quasi-Judicial Hearing, Petition 111SVA-00 PB, P.O. Box 490, Gainesville, Florida, 32602.

Attorney Information (If applicable):

Name: (please print) _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____

Telephone Number: _____

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6210 Utah Ave. NW
Washington, Dc 20016
November 1, 2000

City Commission
P.O. Box 490
Gainesville, FL 32602-0490

Re: Petition 111SVA-00PB

Dear Sirs:

The referenced petition, on behalf of the University of Florida, requests that NW 20th Street be closed between West University Avenue and NW 1st Avenue. We are affected property owners because we own a home at 118 NW 20th Terrace.

We recommend and request that this petition not be approved. The existing NW 20th Street provides a basic link between University Avenue and NW 5th Avenue, itself a significant west-to-east street. To close it would bounce traffic onto even more fully residential streets, like NW 20th Terrace and NW 19th Street.

The significance of NW 20th Street--and thus the need to keep it open--is shown by the fact that there is a light at the intersection of NW 20th Street and University Avenue. While the light also serves traffic entering the University Campus, significant traffic goes north into 20th Street or south from it. Indeed, NW 20th Street is particularly useful during football season.

Pedestrian benefit on the north side of University Avenue cannot be the reason for the proposed street closing. Pedestrians can cross the street with the present traffic light. But more fundamentally, if traffic is viewed as heavy, the street is needed; if it is viewed as light, keeping the street open is not a major inconvenience to pedestrians.

Incidentally, would the University pay the city for the use of the land (right of way) if the street were closed?

The University has a great deal of land south of University Avenue and extending far to the West which it can use as it wishes. It should not also need to have a city street closed.

Sincerely yours,

Pierce K. Bullen Helene C. Bullen
Pierce K. and Helene C. Bullen

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**To: City Commision
Gainesville, Florida**

Date: 11/1/00

Fax #: 1-352-334-2282

**Re: PETITION 111SVA-00PB
(Petition to close part of NW 20th Street)**

From: Pierce K. & Helene C. Bullen (Tel. 202-966-7114)

We are parties affected by the proposed street closing because we own a home at 118 NW 20th Terrace, Gainesville, FL 32603. (However, we are presently living at 6210 Utah Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20015.).

Enclosed is our Quasi-Judicial Registration Form, stating our opposition to the proposed street closing, and a letter stating our views which we want to have presented to the members of the City Commission.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

Pierce K. Bullen *Helene C. Bullen*

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