

February 18, 2020

Councilman John C. Cochrane, Jr.  
Town Hall  
655 Main Street  
Islip, New York 11751

**Re: Proposed Rezoning of Bayview Ave, East Islip**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ wish to voice my opinion to you on the proposed rezoning of 7 and 9 Bayview Avenue, East Islip on behalf of myself and my community. Currently, I reside at \_\_\_\_\_ . I along with many of my neighbors are actively gathering support in opposition to the proposed rezoning to the property and the development of senior housing.

We strongly oppose the re-zoning of these previously noted parcels of land, because the Hamlet of East Islip and the current infrastructure is unable to support this type of growth in a safe way that also preserves the integrity our community.

Our current most compelling reasons include:

- The proposed zoning of 7 and 9 Bayview Avenue is incompatible with the surrounding properties. The residents in the surrounding area bought their homes with the current zoning in place. Changes to the zoning could have a negative impact on the resale value of their homes.
- Existing Traffic and Insufficient road infrastructure - Nearby intersections simply cannot handle the dramatic increase in traffic that will occur if the rezoning is permitted. Additionally, the Bayview Avenue and Main St. intersection, one lot from this property, does not function well and is a high-risk intersection for pedestrians due to the heavy traffic especially during lunch hour, rush hour, and during the summer months. The increase in traffic flow at this intersection will result from this rezoning is a notable risk to vehicles that access these roadways as well as pedestrians.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,