



August 17, 2023

Dear Sir/Madam:

I live at 11705 Laurel Bowie Road. I have lived in this quiet residential neighborhood, in this house, for all of my 73 years. It has NOT been quiet since the person bought the house at 11801 Laurel Bowie Road and turned it into a temple. The temple is very loud. I can hear them inside my house, and I live three houses down! Now I have heard they plan to build a much larger temple and a hot asphalt parking lot. Why did they buy a home in a residential neighborhood if they wanted to build such a large public facility? Traffic was already too heavy on Laurel Bowie Road before they converted the small home into a temple. I can't imagine how much worse traffic will be on an already inadequate road with the hundreds of people they plan to accommodate, or how they will fit them all in the planned 45-spot parking lot. Where I sit to eat my meals, I see the great big 15-foot statue, built on my neighbor's property no less, and now I hear they are planning to have one twice as big. That's as tall as a three-story building! I also no longer have the enjoyment of the copse of trees that used to be in my neighbor's lot, which they removed to the detriment of the neighborhood character. I have heard other neighbors' and their stories about how they have been treated by the temple and their experiences have been just as horrible, with continuing damages to their homes on top of the nuisance that 11801 has already been for years to our peaceful existence. For these stated reasons, I object to any further development of this property.

Sincerely,

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