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To whom it may concern,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing as a concerned resident of the Brookside Condo Complex located right next to the proposed development. While I understand the need for urban development and growth due to the housing crisis on the central coast, I am deeply apprehensive about the potential negative impacts that this project could have on our community.

First and foremost, I would like to emphasize the severe strain that the Kenwood development would place on our already limited resources. Our area is currently grappling with challenges related to water supply, and energy consumption. The addition of a large housing complex like Kenwood would only exacerbate these issues, potentially compromising the quality of life for current residents. This also adds to an evacuation risk should a large fire event take place, which given the location could be likely.

Furthermore, the anticipated increase in traffic due to the Kenwood development is a major concern. Our streets are already heavily congested, and adding more vehicles to the mix would not only lead to longer commute times but also raise significant safety issues for pedestrians and cyclists. The tranquility and safety of our neighborhood, which we have come to cherish, could be compromised by the surge in traffic associated with the new development.

One of the aspects of our community that I value most is the presence of open natural spaces that support local wildlife. The Kenwood development would eliminate this large open field, depriving the local fauna of their habitat. Our neighborhood's unique ecosystem and the delicate balance it maintains could be severely disrupted, leading to long-term negative consequences for our environment.

I implore you to carefully reconsider the approval of the Kenwood housing development in its current form. While I understand the need for growth and progress, it is vital that we preserve the character and sustainability of our community. I urge you to explore alternative solutions that prioritize responsible development, minimize environmental impact, and maintain the quality of life that current residents have come to appreciate. I feel there are many other sites that should be considered first before this location in an already crowded area.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I trust that you will carefully weigh the pros and cons of the Kenwood development proposal and make a decision that is in the best interests of the community as a whole.

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