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To: Neil Wishinsky
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Subject: Re. 1299 Beacon St.

Chairman Neil Wishinsky

Brookline Board of Selectmen

333 Washington Dt.

Brookline, MA 02445

Dear Chairman Wiskinsky and Members of the Board:

I am a resident of 70 Sewall Avenue and I am writing to you regarding the proposed 14-story building being proposed in the space that is currently occupied by 1299 Beacon St.; and it's corresponding parking lot that exits onto Sewall Ave.

As I am sure you know, Sewall Ave. is already a street that is overburdened with vehicle traffic because:

1. High traffic from Trader Joe's that often requires a police presence to manage the congestion.
2. High traffic from individual post office workers packing their individual cars for deliveries much less the volume of mail deliveries from trucks that enter and exit there regularly.
3. Temple Sinai parents who are dropping off or picking up their children from programs that are held there. Visitors already double park all along Sewall Ave. and very often block the driveway into our building.

Sewall Avenue allows parking on one side. The remaining street is so narrow that two cars can barely pass each other. I can't tell you how many times residents in our building almost got into an accident from people speeding down Sewall Avenue trying to avoid the Coolidge Corner congestion.

I can't imagine how this size building, and the unbelievable number of rental units, that depend so much on access via Sewall Ave. will not become a nightmare and a very dangerous traffic situation. The Sewall Avenue traffic is already risky and often dangerous.

Sincerely,

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