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Subject: Strong Opposition to Proposal Making Broadview Chase Drive a One-Way Street

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## Dear Council Members/City Planning Committee,

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposal to convert Broadview Chase Drive into a one-way street. This proposed change is not only unnecessary but also detrimental to the residents and neighborhoods it serves. The roadway study conducted for this subdivision clearly indicated that Broadview Chase Drive is fully capable of handling the current and projected traffic flow. Therefore, altering the traffic pattern in this manner is both impractical and unsubstantiated by the very data collected during that study.

Converting Broadview Chase Drive into a one-way street will have a negative ripple effect on the neighborhoods to the west, which rely on this thoroughfare as a vital artery for traffic distribution. By cutting off this route, you will create unnecessary congestion on surrounding streets, particularly during peak hours. Broadview Chase Drive serves as an essential connector that helps ease traffic burdens in the area. Restricting its flow will force residents to find alternative routes, increasing travel times and funneling more vehicles into roads that are less equipped to handle the increased traffic load. This will not only inconvenience residents but also increase safety risks as traffic shifts oon to more congested streets.

Furthermore, it appears that this proposal benefits a very small minority of individuals who live on Broadview Chase Drive, without consideration of the broader community that relies on this roadway. While some residents may feel that restricting traffic will improve their immediate environment, this should not come at the expense of the hundreds of other residents whose daily commutes and neighborhood accessibility will be negatively impacted. Local infrastructure decisions must serve the greater good, and this proposal clearly does not align with that principle.

In light of the roadway study's findings, and the potential adverse impacts on traffic flow and neighborhood connectivity, I urge the city to reconsider this proposal. The current configuration of Broadview Chase Drive is both effective and appropriate for the community's needs.

Sincerely, Michelle French 1476 Silversmith Ln. Delaware, OH 43015