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City of Phoenix Planning Department

To Whom It May Concern:

As I have been driving east on Ocotillo to 12<sup>th</sup> Street over the last few months I have been watching the construction of the beautiful front fence and pedestrian gate at the property at 1035 E. Ocotillo Rd. I marveled at how beautiful it is and how it increases the value of the property on my block.

Several friends of mine who have driven by it with me have also expressed how beautiful it is and how it makes the block so much better.

Recently I had the pleasure of meeting Yossi Dror and his family. He is the contractor on the 2 new houses being built across the street from me and his attention to detail is amazing. My neighbors and I were nervous about how the new residences would affect us and we now have no worries.

I have read several communications between the Planning Department and Mr. Dror. I truly cannot understand why Sandy Grunow and Mary Crozier are harrassing him regarding this matter. It makes absolutely no sense.

And by the way, if the information I have on Sandy Grunow is correct, she lives at 802 E. Maryland. What business does she have filing anonymous complaints about a property that is 4 blocks north and 2 blocks east of her property. I have tried to find information on her alleged association and can't find anything. That in itself is worrying.

I fully support all the reasons Mr. Dror outlines in his Narrative and Statement of Facts. I also can certainly agree with the fact that our street has become an alternative for drivers not wanting to deal with the traffic issues on Glendale during the "rush hours". Ocotillo has become a cut through for drivers and it's gotten really out of hand. People use my driveway for turnarounds on a regular basis and I don't like it at all!

I believe that Ms. Grunow and all her cohorts should be stopped. Enough!

Hopefully the Department will recognize the inappropriateness of Ms. Grunow's and her compatriats behaviors and put a stop to it.

Feel free to contact me if you would like further input, 602-799-5695.

Respectfully submitted,

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