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Gila County Planning and Zoning Commission
Chairman and Commission Members
Gila County Courthouse
1400 East Ash Street
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Dear Chairman and Commission Members:

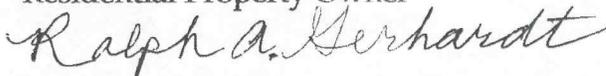
We have been notified of the application for the Conditional Use Permit for the proposed Swap Meet in the County Island within the City of Globe.

In the recommendation from Gila County staff, there are two proposed recommendations, one to approve, and another to deny the Conditional Use Permit. We recommend that the application for CUP 12 02 be denied, as it does not follow the Design Review Guidelines that Gila County, the City of Globe, and the Town of Miami have adopted through an Intergovernmental Agreement.

We understand the need for a property where people or legal entities are able to buy, sell, or exchange products as a means of commerce, but the property identified in CUP 12 02 is located next to our primary place of residence; the value of which could be negatively impacted as a result of locating a Swap Meet in close proximity thereto. Furthermore, the applicant has not provided proof of adequate parking for the property, and there are several issues of concern that were identified by the Gila County Community Development Director. Perhaps an alternative site would better suit the needs of the community. Alternative locations that are not adjacent to an established residential neighborhood should be looked at. An area like the former Mountain View Mobile Home Park would have all the parking and other needs and not be in conflict with regional Design and Review Guidelines.

Sincerely,

Ralph A. Gerhardt
Residential Property Owner



Donna J. Gerhardt
Residential Property Owner

