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**Subject:** Concerned Parent - Proposed Homeless RV Village Near School  
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Dear Ms. Mary Gourley,

We were informed only last night of the proposed location of the Homeless RV Village at 845 Gravenstein Hwy North. We are Sebastopol residents who live very close to the proposed location. More importantly, we are also parents of children who attend a school that is located just a few hundred feet away.

We are strongly opposed to this proposed location as it lies in the direct walking path to our children's school. If this proposal passes, this homeless village location would have a huge impact on our family and children.

We respect that you will receive push back for a proposed homeless village location from any neighborhood. For us, this is not a feeling of NIMBY but a deep concern for the mere proximity of a homeless village to a school and thereby proximity to children.

- Sexual offender: There are laws surrounding a registered offender's residence in proximity to a school. How is that going to be regulated in a homeless RV village?
- Hygiene: Many children will be passing through this RV Homeless Village daily. Where and how is the waste from these vehicles to be properly and hygienically discarded?
- Drug and alcohol use: How will law enforcement monitor and regulate the potential drug use near the children?
- Mental illness: Children walking to and from the school face a potential safety hazard.
- Policing: Is Sebastopol planning on adding additional law enforcement resources to keep our children safe?

The above are all reasons we are incredibly concerned about this proposed location and are unequivocally opposed to it. We cannot embrace a solution that is seemingly being forced down on us.

We appreciate your thoughtful consideration of the above concerns before voting this evening.

Vanessa and Murali Murugan