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Dear Planning Commission Members,

Although I rented in Oregon Hill previously in the 1990's, I bought my first house there in 2002. At the time, I was willing to invest in the neighborhood and thus Richmond because I saw signs from both neighbors and City government that they were committed to historical preservation and keeping the neighborhood intact. Since then, I have invested further, emotionally, financially, physically, putting much time, energy and consciousness into the neighborhood.

The 'mixed use' designation is more than a slap to the face, more than a betrayal. Make no mistake about it, Richmond300's current proposals will lead to the undoing and erasure of four decades of similar investing by my neighbors, Richmond citizens who deserve better consideration and treatment.

I have written and spoken to the Richmond300 planners extensively from the beginning, and frankly, my worst suspicions about the purposes and workings of Richmond300 have only been confirmed by their callousness and indifference towards my neighborhood. Thankfully more and more citizens are recognizing that Richmond300 is not responsive to citizen concerns, but cares more about the ambitions of VCU and its surrounding cabal of wealthy developers.

Please respect the Oregon Hill Neighborhood Association's request to reject the Richmond 300 plan until the neighborhood is properly and appropriately designated as residential.

Sincerely, Scott Burger