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From: Jessica Savage [ Sent: Monday, June 06, 2016 2:01 PM To: David A. Olson; Setti D. Warren Subject: "Washington Place" (Orr Block) development

Dear Mayor Warren and City Council,

I am a Waban resident writing to express my opposition to the planned development at Washington Place in Newtonville. My understanding is that the developer would like to get a special permit to build a mixed use 5 story building. I feel that this is out of scale for our villages and will not only be unsightly, but will increase traffic and parking shortages, and change the feel of our community. I am concerned that if this project is allowed to proceed at this height and scale, no village in Newton can be considered safe from over-development. Many of our buildings are old and need updates, but this does not mean they have to be super-sized. Please work for controlled development that preserves our villages.

Many thanks, Jessica --Jessica Savage, MD, MHS