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Subject: Request to Deny PETITION #366-14, 143 Lincoln St

Dear Land Use Committee,

We want to thank you for your service to the city and residents of the city. We are sure you hear more complaints than appreciation.

As residents of Newton Highlands abutting 143 Lincoln St. request that you represent us and our neighbors. This project, PETITION #366-14, specifically the size and density of the proposed structure, will have a negative impact on one of the flagship neighborhoods in Newton. We all oppose this building and ask that you use your discretion as our elected officials to deny this special permit and only approve projects that are consistent with the size and scale and density within the majority of the neighborhood.

We believe this violates section 30-15 u (2) where increased FAR may be allowed if the proposed structure is consistent with and not in derogation of the size, scale and design of other structures in the neighborhood. This proposal is clearly out of scale with regard to size and scale compared to the rest of the neighborhood.

We believe this also violates section 30-24 (d) (1) and (2). This site is not appropriate for this size structure. We believe the proposed structure will adversely affect the neighborhood by adding too much housing mass on an inappropriately small lot.

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