Dear Ms. Anderson,

I would like to state opposition to the variance for fencing for 6753 West Mercer Way. We have lived at 6837 West Mercer Way since 1986. This area has always had a unique quality with vegetation (sometimes in excess) and well designed homes that fit into the site. The current construction on the above site has placed a house that is approximately three times the size of the previous home on half of the lot. Nearly all of the trees have been cut down. The current home does not fit the character of this neighborhood and if we allow a six foot high fence in the front and sides, we are encouraging the walling off of neighbors. A 42 inch fence with green vegetation as a buffer would clear; y be friendlier. Placing a gate a cross the front clearly indicates that no visitors are welcome.

A variance was granted for 6845 West Mercer Way. Their construction has been in progress since late December. When they gate their driveway they have completed the isolation of their home.

I suspect that 6753 will also enclose their property with a "tight fence" and make the neighborhood less friendly and inviting.

Enough has been done already. No variance. Please.

Thank you for considering the above.

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