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Hello Mayor,

Hugh Skubikowski (<u>uskubiko@middlebury.edu</u>) has sent you a message via your contact form (<u>https://www.cityofnewburyport.com/users/mayor/contact</u>) at Newburyport MA.

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Message:

Dear Mayor Holaday,

My wife Kathryn and I purchased a condominium at 64 Middle Street in 2006.

We chose this particular condominium as it had a yard, trees, and we were not hemmed in by buildings on adjoining properties, somewhat unusual in this part of Newburyport. Now we are troubled by the proposed large addition to the building on 68 Middle Street. Three floors of additional living area and decks would significantly impact on the sunlight that we enjoy in our yard. The prospect of having meals in the garden with our fellow condo neighbors with possibly people sitting on three decks looking down at us is very discouraging. In other words, one of the primary reasons why we purchased this condominium--the enjoyment of an airy, sunlit garden--would be taken from us. Moreover, I understand that the developer has asked for parking relief so that three cars would be added to the already crowded parking on Middle Street, as many employees of the businesses on State Street leave their cars here. Moreover, the new design and volume of 68 Middle Street would be in stark contrast with other homes in the nighborhood. For these reasons, my wife Kathryn and I would like to register our objection to this project. Thank you for your consideration.

Hugh and Kathryn Skubikowski