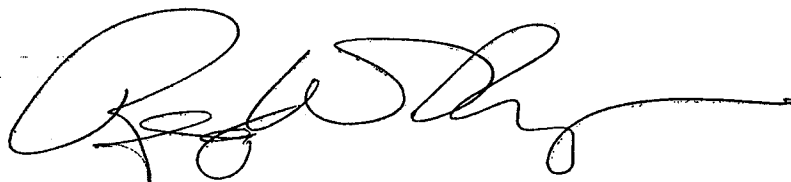


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To whom it may concern:

The Wade King PTA is aware of the County Executive's recommendation to remove the South Yew Street Area from the UGA and designate it as a UGA Reserve. The PTA is concerned about the impacts to the school and the student body if the area is removed from the UGA. The PTA has the following concerns: the student's safety in regards to the access to the school; the potential response time of the sheriff's department; the response time of the volunteer fire department in the case of an emergency. The safety of our students is our first concern, and there are doubts as to how safe the school can be if it's placed into the UGA Reserve. The PTA is opposed to removal of the South Yew Street Area from the UGA, and encourages Planning Commission and County Council to reconsider the Executive's Recommendation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Regan Ryan', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Regan Ryan, PTA Co-President at Wade King Elementary