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TO: Valdosta-Lowndes Planning Commission
City of Valdosta Mayor and Council
Planning Staff

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We, the undersigned homeowners residing in and adjacent to the Brookwood North Historic District, ask that the following concerns and requests of ours be carefully considered and be read into the record at each public meeting in consideration of the proposed Machouse planned development bounded by N. Oak St., W. Alden Ave., and W. Cranford Ave. This property has for many decades been a rare example of an urban greenspace surrounded by a historic neighborhood, and it has many tall canopy trees that are important to the character of our neighborhood.

We ask that sensitivity be shown toward the goal of preserving as many of these specimen canopy trees as possible during both planning and construction. Exact placement and alignment of buildings, driveways, etc. should be decided after the locations of specimen canopy trees are precisely determined, so that whatever adjustments might be made in footprints will be made in preservation of important trees. We believe this will constitute added value to many prospective homeowners and future neighbors, just as many of us bought our homes, in part, because they were in a wooded neighborhood. We also urge the owner and developer to meet with us to discuss this issue more specifically.

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