To whom it may concern:

I am writing this letter to disapprove of the rezoning of property at 2193 Howell Rd. My name is Derrick Black and I live at 2699 Howell Rd which is about 1 mile from our home. I have lived at this address for 49 years and my wife and I have been here for 28 years. I have a son that has started planning for his home here as well. We are writing this to ask for your help in denying the rezoning request from Brent Moore of Redeemed Living.

This rezoning request is for a drug/alcohol transition facility with approximately 50 various living facilities housing anywhere from 1-6 men in each. All these men are recovering from various addictions from drugs and alcohol. This is not a State mandated facility; it is privately owned and operated. According to the information we received at the zoning meeting last night there will not be any licensed counselors, medical personnel or security personnel on site. The overseer of the property will be a pastor from a church living in one of the homes. The rest of the overseer's will be the tenants that have been there longer. They will not be able to drive so they will depend on other drivers, friends, business partners, taxis or walk to their destinations. Brent Moore stated last night at the zoning meeting that there is a 85-92% chance of addict relapse. He also stated that these men have burned all their bridges and have nowhere else to turn. Their families have wrote them off. This scares me! These men have nothing to loose. Me and my wife have had several family members that have had drug and alcohol problems through the years and when an addict needs their fix that's all they can think about, and have no concern or care for anyone in their way. There is no formula to tell who will get the help they need and who is going through the motions to stay out of jail or meet probation requirements. If 50% of these men are there for the right reasons and 50% are not, that's still a lot of undesirable people coming and going around our neighborhood. This facility seems to be based on the honor system. Howell road is a dark road with a Rail Road crossing about 1000' away from the property where trains are constantly stopped and cars can't cross until it moves. How