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Thank you.

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Good Morning Commissioners,

I am writing to respectfully urge your approval of the Thumbs Up Mission project on Ben Parks Road.

As someone who grew up with the Coker family and has volunteered at multiple Thumbs Up Mission events, I have witnessed firsthand the profound and measurable impact this organization has on families in our community. This is not simply a charitable effort—it is a vital support system for individuals facing some of life's most difficult circumstances.

What Mr. Miles and Ms. Sharon have built is rooted in compassion, accountability, and consistent service. Their work reflects a sustained commitment to community well-being and directly aligns with the values we strive to uphold as a city: supporting families, strengthening neighborhoods, and fostering safe, inclusive spaces.

I have personally seen the emotional and practical impact of this mission. Families leave these events not only with resources, but with renewed hope. Mothers, in particular, have expressed overwhelming gratitude for the care and dignity they receive—something that cannot be overstated in its importance.

Approving this project is an opportunity to expand a proven, community-driven initiative that is already changing lives. It will allow Thumbs Up Mission to serve more families, deepen its reach, and continue providing a safe and supportive environment for those who need it most.

In a time when many are searching for solutions to strengthen our communities, this project represents one that is already working. I strongly encourage you to support its approval.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and commitment to our community.

Very Respectfully,

C. Andrew Smith

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