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Sent: Monday, August 24, 2026 12:38 PM
To: Jennifer Rivera (Administration)
Cc: Anael Dominguez (Administration)
Subject: HCAM emails- 6250 Dawsonville Hwy- Comment

Please see the below public comment.

Thank you,

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Subject: Special Use Permit for the ARK 6250-6255 Old Dawsonville Rd

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Dear Hall County Board of Commissioners,

I am writing to respectfully but strongly **oppose the Special Use Permit** for an event facility at 6250 and 6255 Old Dawsonville Road also known as “The Ark on Lake Lanier”.

This proposal is not simply a change in land use. It has the potential to fundamentally change the character and quality of life of the surrounding residential community. An event facility can bring increased traffic, noise, late-night activity, lighting, parking demands, and other disruptions that are very different from the quiet residential environment that currently exists in this area.

Residents should not be expected to sacrifice the peace, privacy, safety, and enjoyment of their homes so that a private commercial operation can increase its profits.

Hall County's own zoning code recognizes that decisions regarding special uses should protect the general health, safety, and welfare of county residents. I respectfully ask the Board to put that responsibility ahead of the commercial interests associated with this proposal.

There is a fundamental difference between economic development that complements a community and development that places the costs of private business activity on neighboring homeowners. The people who live here will experience the traffic, noise, activity, and disruption **every day!** The applicant will receive the financial benefit.

Residential peace and quality of life should not be treated as an obstacle to corporate or commercial profit.

I therefore respectfully ask the Board of Commissioners to **deny the Special Use Permit for 6250 and 6255 Old Dawsonville Road**, as well as the associated parking variance.

Please listen to the residents who will have to live with the consequences of this decision long after the meeting is over. Once a large-scale event operation is established next to a residential community, the resulting loss of peace and quality of life cannot easily be undone.

Please choose the interests of Hall County residents and the long-term character of our community over the short-term commercial interests of this proposal.

Thank you for your consideration and for your service to the citizens of Hall County.

Please confirm receipt.

Sincerely,
Maribeth Kennedy
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