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Dear Mr. Lundquist,

I am writing to you once again to voice the dismay and disapproval of my husband, Jack Berquist, and me regarding the Brian Arden Winery proposal.

At last summer's design review meeting the planning commission noted several concerns about the plans for the winery building, such as the overall size of the structure, the height of the structure, parking, and events.

It seems that very little to nothing has been done by Brian Arden to mitigate these issues. The project is still entirely too large in scope to be placed on a parcel that is less than 2 acres, and that sits at the gateway to Calistoga. This project, as it is, undermines the General Plan of the city and would dramatically change the entry corridor. We believe the size, scope and intended uses of the property as proposed in this new plan are all inconsistent with the small town atmosphere that we cherish in Calistoga.

We strongly oppose this project in its current form and respectfully ask that the Planning Commission reject or significantly alter this proposal to something of smaller size with considerably less impact on the neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Kate and Jack Berquist
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