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Councilwoman Pastor,

Please find an additional 20 petitions of stakeholders that oppose the height of the Phoenix Country Club Tower project. This makes 40 petitions that I have sent you. As I have expressed previously, the problem with the project is the **height** near our single family homes.

Of course, it is not just this one tower that is the most frightening problem, it is the precedent that the City council will be setting by ignoring the General Plan and permitting high rise development anywhere and everywhere that a developer can make a business plan to a lender for financing. Expect to see requests for rezoning near mountain preserves, other golf courses, or in any other imaginable context. For this reason lots of stakeholders outside our neighborhood have taken notice of this case.

We should follow urban planning principles on redevelopment that are in our General Plan and MidTown TOD Policy Plan, and not allow development based on whether a bank will risk a loan. We all remember the Great Recession, which is what happens we we follow the money without using common sense.

A couple of weeks ago the Arizona Republic reported on the rebirth of the Downtown area, and the article correctly noted that the high rise development that was allowed to go forward in the area of 24th Street and Camelback set the Downtown back for years. Approving this project outside fo the TOD will do the same thing to the development and support of the light rail.

Please restrict the **height** to where the General Plan directs, the Village Cores and the TOD.

I would like to meet with you to discuss any questions you might have about the neighborhood opposition.

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