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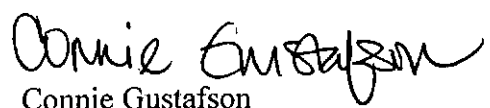
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As a citizen of McHenry County and Crystal Lake, please consider my perspective as you vote on this proposal.

Sincerely,



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