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Deep Creek/Harbour Heights Citizens Group
109 Tocopilla Street
Port Charlotte, FL 33983

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COUNTY COMMISSION OFFICE

Commissioner Ken Doherty, Chair
Charlotte County Commission
18500 Murdock Circle
Suite 536
Port Charlotte, FL 33948

Re: Deep Creek/ Harbour Heights Citizens Group

Dear Commissioner Doherty:

As you and your fellow Commissioners have been advised, there has been a coalition of property owners formed in the Deep Cree/ Harbour Heights area of the County. The predominate feeling that motivated this activity was a feeling of being overlooked and ignored. Examples include but are not limited to the following:

exclusion of any representation on the landscaping of entry ways into the County, although there are two (2) prominate entryways in our geographical area; the lack of representation in the Group identifying projects for the 1% sales tax extension; and, the fact that for ten (10) years after its inception, the Mid-Charlotte Stormwater Utility received million of dollars from this region to support the reconstruction of the Port Charlotte Stormwater system with so little in return services for Deep Creek/Harbour Heights.

So it came to be that representatives of Deep Creek Homeowners Associations, Sections 20 and 23, and the Homeowners Association of Harbour Heights, come together to determine what was the most needed project in the area. The unanimous conclusion was that the sidewalk situation surrounding Deep Creek Elementary Schools demanded action. School Board policy dictates that students within two (2) miles of school must walk to class since there is no bus pick up. Thus, over one hundred fifty three (153) young elementary and middle school students must walk these unlighted roads to bus stops or directly to Deep Creek Elementary School without the benefit of sidewalks for safety.

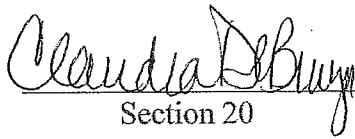
The Harbour Heights Streets and Drainage MSBU Committee has already dedicated the funding for the design of the sidewalk project, but does not have the funding readily available to complete the project beyond design.

Commissioner Doherty, we are asking your help and the Commissioners help in finding

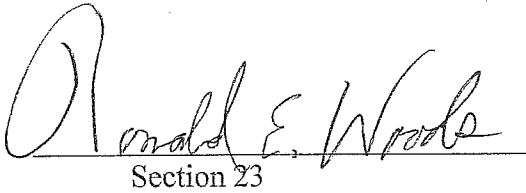
the method and means of funding the sidewalks in and about Deep Creek Elementary School.

This is not the usual request for sidewalks for seniors to take their morning stroll or to ride their bikes or to increase property values. This is a request to safe guard the safety and wellbeing of children, our future citizens and residents.

Please Help us! We are willing to do the wok but we need your guidance.


Section 20


Harbour Heights


Section 23


Chair


Deep Creek Civic Association

Cc: Commissioner Christopher Constance
Commissioner Bill Truex
Commissioner Stephen Deutsch
Commissioner Tricia Duffy
Administrator Ray Sandrock

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