Jimmy Blakey 135 Magnolia Drive Rincon, GA 31326 October 3, 2025

To: The Effingham County Board of Commissioners

Re: <u>Opposition</u> to the Conditional Use Application initiated by Heather Arnold for property located at 416 Exley Loop.

I am writing as a resident of the neighborhood where 416 Exley Loop is located. It is my understanding that the above-mentioned Conditional Use Application would include but not be limited to the use of the property for a commercial event venue (parties, weddings, and similar gatherings). Our neighborhood is a residential area designed for families and individuals who value peace, safety, and stability. Allowing a venue of this nature would create significant negative impacts including:

- <u>Noise and disturbance</u> from parties and possible late-night gatherings would disrupt the quiet environment of neighboring property owners.
- <u>Traffic and Parking</u> issues would arise--traffic congestion and possible on street parking issues.
- <u>Public safety concerns</u> from late-night activities and increased alcohol consumption.
- <u>Property Values</u> are likely to be negatively impacted because of the presence of a commercial event venue in a residential neighborhood.

I could not be here tonight to personally voice my opposition, but would like to strongly urge the Commissioners to preserve the residential integrity of our neighborhood by denying this request. Residents chose this community for its quiet and family-oriented environment, and introducing a commercial venue would fundamentally change its character.

Thank you for your time and for considering this request, that the Effingham County Board of Commissioners **deny** approval for the above-mentioned Conditional Use Application.

Sincerely,

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