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Chatham County Lighting Ordinance (Rev. 4 Draft)

Good evening, my name is Gloria Davis and I reside at 316 Alston Rd., Apex, NC.  
Thank you for letting me present my concerns and the concerns of others living in the New Hope and EastWilliams precinct on the regulated lighting ordinance proposal.  
Our concerns include the following:

Further questions need to be answered before adopting the light ordinance

1. What is the economic cost to the average citizen in Chatham County? Economic consideration is a concern for those who may not be able to afford cost of replacing costly light fixtures and equipment.
2. Reduction of light in rural areas may not be as safe as in other areas. If we were to reduce our light/energy consumption, it would be much darker and safety concerns would ensue. People could not see how to get to their house, church or other community site. Also, rural lighting does not cause a glare to others due to houses that are farther apart in some areas. Not having sufficient lighting would cause an annoyance, discomfort and even loss of visual performance and ability. Liability issues can also arise should persons fall due to not being able to see at night, especially in the rural area. At my local church, members & visitors complained not being able to see while walking due to lack of sufficient lighting.. The church had to increase the lighting to avoid injuries.
3. Is there a need to reduce lighting and get new fixtures in rural areas where houses are farther apart when the current light illumination and fixtures are sufficient given the distance each house is from one another?

For citizens living in the rural community with six houses on a road, they still need the same sufficient lighting in order to maintain safety of self and property. Glare is not a problem in the rural area and light trespass is not a problem. Productivity could be affected if you cannot see. Again, safety at night would also cause a problem in some rural areas.

Therefore, we would request that the lighting ordinance continue as a voluntary guideline for residents in rural areas and not a regulated outdoor lighting ordinance in these areas.

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CC: Given to Board of Commissioners at March meeting