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Dear Chairwoman Carrier and Planning Board Commissioners:

Mark Hill
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CAMELBACK VILLAGE

The Greater Olney Civic Association supports the development of Spring Arbor on the Danshes Property in Olney (Special Exception S-2841).

Greg Intoccia
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Initially GOCA had several concerns with the plan regarding its footprint and its proximity to the Sandy Spring Fire Station just south of the property. Representatives from Spring Arbor met with GOCA in July 2011, March of 2012, with the officers in August 2013, and again with the membership just this week on September 10th. Throughout all of these meetings, the applicant listened to our concerns and ultimately changed its plans which addressed every issue we raised. Thus, the following motion passed unanimously this week:

Whereas the site plan has changed and the building is now two stories with a smaller footprint and more open space, and whereas land adjacent to the Sandy Spring Fire Department was donated for future expansion of that station, GOCA supports the proposed use and current site plan.

This applicant sets the model for interaction with the community.

Sincerely,

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