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Littleton Planning and Zoning Commission

## **COMMISSIONERS**

My family moved to Littleton in 1937 from southern Illinois. Shortly thereafter my father opened Valley Feed and Supply. Valley Feed and Supply operated for almost eight decades from a location on Main Street. During this time Valley Feed and Supply provided livestock feed and supplies for both the Arapahoe Racetrack and Arapahoe Fair grounds. As well as livestock feed for Littleton residents and residents from unincorporated Arapahoe and southern Jefferson counties.

I was born and reared in Littleton. I took over Valley Feed from my father and operated the business on Main Street from 1965 until it's closing in 2015. During the five decades that I ran Valley Feed I actively participated with other merchants in developing downtown into the vibrant retail area that we all enjoy.

I care about Littleton. I want Littleton to continue to attract new residents and businesses in order to insure it's growth and sustainability. I am the owner of the property that is the subject of this rezoning application. I completely and fully support the rezoning of my property as I believe the proposed development provides facilities that are both desired and needed by area residents. The proposed development will generate little car and foot traffic. The building architecture will look and fit in with the neighboring properties to insure a consistent and attractive curb appearance. Arapahoe Douglas Mental Health whose property is adjacent on the south is a co-applicant on the rezoning application because they agree with me that the proposed development is very suitable as it will not have any negative impact on their operations or their residents/patients.

I strongly encourage all of you to support this rezoning application. The proposed development is the culmination of nearly 2 years of planning by the developer and review by the Littleton Planning Department and related City departments. This development will be welcomed by the neighborhood and will have a significant and positive economic impact for Littleton.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Sutton

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