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To: DHSR.CON.Comments
Subject: Comments on the proposed New Hanover Regional Medical Center building

Tanya S. Rupp, the project analyst: I am submitting comments on the New Hanover Regional Medical Center application with the Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to develop 40 acute care beds in a 68,000-square-foot addition to the hospital.

My concern about this project as well as all future projects is that provision needs to be made for additional parking at the hospital site. I live at Glenmeade Village which is behind Elderhaus. I am aware of the fact that hospital staff and employees are currently parking in the Elderhaus parking lot (and probably in other off site locations as well) and then crossing 17th street to work at the hospital. If you have tried to cross 17th street on foot, you would know that crossing 6-7 lanes of traffic is dangerous and a challenge. There is a potential for pedestrian accidents if this practice continues. I have been told by nurses and others that parking is such a challenge at the hospital, that they now come in early for their shifts and will park offsite if there is nothing in the hospital lots. PLEASE provide additional parking at the hospital site!

Respectfully submitted,
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