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July 28, 2009

TO: Mayor and City Council
Alexandria, Virginia

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal for Neighborhood Petition on Holmes Run Bank
Restoration / Stabilization and Proposed Crossing

The Honorable William D. Euille:

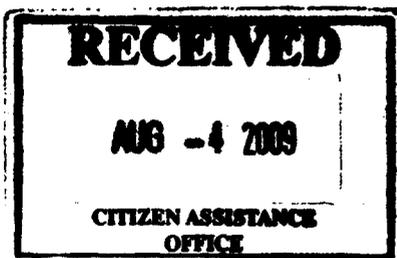
The purpose of the attached petition is to ensure that the position of Alexandria's West End Communities of Dowden Terrace and Seminary West on the subject project are recognized and understood. There have been three public presentations on the City's developing plans for this project. These meetings have been welcomed and well attended. Another public meeting is planned for September 2009.

Our desire at this time is to express the neighborhood's concerns and position as stated in the petition. That is, in summary, if a crossing is deemed absolutely necessary by the City at this highly sensitive floodplain location, that it will neither contribute to nor cause in any way, Holmes Run flooding by impeding the flow of the stream, that the remaining open green space be conserved, and the stream bank along the green space be restored and stabilized.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to bring our concerns before your office, the members of the City Council, and members of the city staff.

Appreciatively,

James W. Madden
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6207 Holmes Run Parkway



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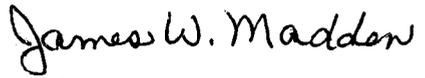
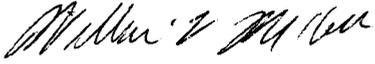
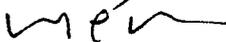
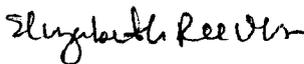
Neighborhood Petition to Refuse Crossing of Holmes Run – June 2009

Over the past few years the banks along Holmes Run, particularly the east side of Holmes Run from the City – County line to Dora Kelley Park and adjacent to the Dowden Terrace residential neighborhood (the “Subject Area”), have been seriously eroding. This area has been transposed from a tree-lined stream with a large open green space to treeless stream bank with a significantly less green space. The cause of this erosion includes, but is not limited to the unregulated flow from the dam at Lake Barcroft, only a mile upstream. Development and runoff from surrounding streets contribute also. The situation continues to be a concern as both banks of Holmes Run have lost many of the bordering mature trees and plant undergrowth that had helped keep the banks in place during the flooding of the Run in major rainstorms.

This erosion recently accelerated with the installation in Fairfax County of a permanent, wide, hard-scaped pathway on the opposing bank of the Subject Area, which also involved the removal of trees and plantings, as well as loss of permeable soil.

The City of Alexandria is now considering the installation of a permanent crossing of Holmes Run in the Subject Area to connect with the Fairfax County path.

The undersigned, home owners in the Dowden Terrace Neighborhood adjacent to and affected by the proposed crossing, have indicated by their signatures below, that they are opposed to any structure that would in any way impede the flow of Holmes Run, and call upon the City of Alexandria to conserve the remaining green space of the open park area and to take all necessary and immediate steps to rebuild and stabilize the Subject Area to prevent further erosion and damage.

<u>NAME (Print)</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>SIGNATURE</u>
JAMES W. MADDEN	6207 HOLMES RUN PARKWAY ALEXANDRIA 22311	
William McCulla	5867 Doris Drive Alexandria 22311	
JOSEPH LABOW	5417 ECHOLS AVE ALEX. VA 22304	
KATHLEEN E MADDEN	6207 Holmes Run Pkway ALEXANDRIA VA 22311	
JOHN KENNY	2658 Foster Ave Alex VA 22311	
DAN DOSE	5673 RAYBURN ALEX, VA 22311	
ELIZABETH REEVES Elizabeth Reeves	2301 N. Chambliss St. Alexandria 22314	
Jeanne Nichols	1840 N. Chambliss St. Alexandria 22311	

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DON TAYLOR	5650 GARY AVE ALEX VA 22311	Donald Taylor
Joyce Dexter	5600 Harding Ave Alex 22311	Joyce Dexter
DIXIE SOMMERS	5693 RAYBURN AVE ALEX VA 22311	Dixie Sommers
GUS ARDURA	5707 GRIGSBY AVE ALEX. VA 22311	Gus Ardura
Ray C. [Signature]	5419 FILLMORE DR ALEX VA 22311	Ray C. [Signature]
Jane Yeungst	706 West Timber Branch Pkwy Alexandria, VA 22302	Jane Yeungst
LYNN BOSTAIN	5695 RAYBURN AVE. ALEXANDRIA VA 22311	Lynn Bostain
Joseph Kogut	2508 N. Shelley ST. ALEXANDRIA, VA 22311	Joseph Kogut
Janet Kogut	2508 N. Shelley ST. ALEXANDRIA, VA 22311	Janet Kogut
Candace Edgerley	4206 Christine Place Alexandria, VA 22311	Candace Edgerley
Melvin Edgerley	4206 Christine Place Alexandria, VA 22311	Melvin Edgerley
REGINA GILBERTSON Gill Gilbertson	5849 DORIS DRIVE ALEXANDRIA, VA 22311	Regina Gilbertson G Gilbertson

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Theresa Pugh	2313 N Tracy St. Alex VA 22311	Theresa Pugh Ann B. Pugh
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Kasha Hlyet	4102 Lesford Ct. Alex, VA 22311	KASHA Hlyet
Robert H. Olander	5863 DORIS DR ALEX VA 22311	ROBERT H. OLANDER
Anna M. Olander	SAME	ANNA M. OLANDER
TOMY BROOKS	5856 DORIS DRIVE, ALEXANDRIA VA 22311	Tomy Brooks
Brenda Barnes	SAME	Brenda Barnes
JAMES PARDO	1930 Hawthorne Ave. Alexandria, VA	James Pardo
Frances McKeary Hoiland	1901 Hawthorne Ave Alexandria Va 22311	Frances McKeary Hoiland
Judith R. Barrett Judith R. Barrett	4006 Chestnut Place Alexandria, VA 22311	Judith R. Barrett
Thomas S. Barrett	" "	Thomas S. Barrett

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PETER HARALAMPUS	4200 HATTON CT ALEXANDRIA, VA 22311	<i>Peter Haralampus</i>
Michael Banks John Kramen	1824 N Chambliss ST Alex VA 22311	<i>Michael Banks John Kramen</i>
Debra Vogel	2335 Sibley St Alex. VA 22311	<i>Debra Vogel</i>
Shelley J. McMaekin	1816 N. Chambliss St. Alexandria VA 22311	<i>Shelley J. McMaekin</i>
Gretchen Tenny Hall	1919 Hawthorne Ave Alexandria, VA 22311	<i>Gretchen Tenny Hall</i>
DAVID M. SA'ADAH	1919 HAWTHORNE AVE ALEXANDRIA, VA 22311	<i>David M. Sa'adah</i>
Michael I. Keller Dorrit KELLER	1935 Hawthorne Ave. ALEXANDRIA, VA 22311	<i>Michael I. Keller Dorrit Keller</i>
Leslie Gutowski	4100 Hatton Ct ALEXANDRIA VA 22311	<i>Leslie Gutowski</i>

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AL CHADSEY	4209 HATTOW CT ALEX, VA 22311-1120	Al Chadsey
Juli Chadsey	4209 HATTOW CT ALEX VA 22311-1120	Juli Chadsey
JACK BUFF	5857 DORIS DR. ALEX VA. 22311	Jack Buff
Linda Shapiro	5853 Doris Dr. Alexandria VA 22311	Linda Shapiro
Suzanne & Frederic Hess	4207 Hatton Ct Alexandria 22311	Suzanne Hess
Walter ROBERT REEVES	2301 N CHAMBLISS ST ALEXANDRIA VA 22311	Walter Reeves
MARK MCMACKIN	1816 N Chambliss ST Alex VA 22311	Mark McMackin