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Dear Central Point Planning Commission,

I am writing with deep concern for the future quality of life change that may occur upon my household with the institution of a daycare/preschool outside my back door.

As a precursor, my wife and I moved here two years ago from Juneau, Alaska. Both of us are retired teachers and I having spent nearly 25 years as an elementary physical education instructor. I feel comfortable saying from experience that I am expert dealing with 5-12 year olds playing in an enclosed space. The idea of a preschool in such close proximity is a cruel hoax to me and the many retired neighbors in our quiet residential area.

Having been in physical education for 25 years, I was extremely aware of liability, lawsuits, and negligence in dealing with children. Is this something the city can be held responsible for in a court of law? I coached gymnastics for 10 years and know the liability of improper instruction and supervision. Are you willing to open this door?

In our search for a retirement area a few years ago we had many options. Family in the Midwest, other family in Alaska, Florida with no taxes, Arizona...etc. We chose Central Point. Peaceful, laid back, hardworking people. We would **Never Ever** have chosen a home next to a lumber mill, downtown business, school, amusement park, or daycare. And I'll bet neither would any of you in your retirement home search!

Already, with knowing few in this community, this is pitting neighbor against neighbor. I don't want to live next to screaming, playing, bouncing, high children's voices in my residential area. Please find somewhere else already zoned for this type of business.

Please stand by your established residential codes and deny the conditional use permit for the Imagination Station.

Thank you,

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