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I am writing in reference to the application of Marcus Tullio Dians Martins at 307 Concord St in Rockland for the approval of a special permit, off street parking and variances to operate a business at 307 Concord St.

The current owner / occupant purchased a property and has been operating a business there since the time of purchase or very close to that time. Employees have been parking on the grass nearest the property line of 317 Concord St. Tractor trailers arrive and machinery is used to off load fence materials and the same machinery is used to load trucks for installers going off to work for the day. All of which have and are required to have backup alarms. None of this activity is in any way part of the intent of Zoning Regulations for the Town of Rockland.

Other businesses have been told to cease operation in the neighborhood and the board took great action to have a home torn down that was only to be left with a foundation and tall weeds to bring down property values. Allowing this type of business to operate outside of a Commercially zoned area in the town would be a hypocrisy and another negative strike to the neighborhood which has always been a desirable part of Rockland.

Having been on Concord St for a lifetime I have seen transitions of wooded areas to growth of new homes which is progress and an investment in the town we live. Allowing the watering down of the zoning and further supporting "spot zoning" is a degradation of what the board is supposed to be.

I strongly oppose a special permit for the operation of this business at 307 Concord St.

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