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Dear Commissioners,

The Fresh Start Initiative appreciates the Board's decision to consider input from the community for the development of the Quad Parcels on the Southwest and Southeast quadrants of Palmer Boulevard and Apex Road.

We have begun organizing a public conversation about prudent and beneficial uses of these lands. These uses will be evaluated with regard to feasibility, compatibility, economic viability, and general benefit to the area.

We will keep staff and the Board informed of our progress. With the amount of talent and experience in Sarasota, we are confident that ideas will come forward within the six-month timetable set for us that the Board will find persuasive. With the right uses, these parcels can be a catalyst for beneficial development in the entire area.

Best wishes for the holidays,

*Glenna Blomquist,*

*Carlos Correa*

*David G. Johnson*

*Gary Heffner*

*Marguerite Malone*

*Tom Matrullo*

*Gary Walsh*

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