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Napa, Ca 94558

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Brad Wagenknecht, Chair  
Napa County Board of Supervisors  
1195 Third Street, Ste 310  
Napa, CA 94559

RE: Oakville Winery/Dry Creek-Mt. Veeder Project

Dear Mr. Wagenknecht:

My name is Ben August and I am the owner of the property located at 4290 Mt Veeder Road, which is directly across from the site of the proposed winery. I have a vineyard on my property.

Unfortunately, due to travels abroad I missed the hearing on the proposed small winery. It has come to my attention that the Planning Commission denied the permit, and I now would like to express my opinion.

This proposed project will impact my property and business more than any other neighbor, so my concerns have prompted me to understand the details and the concerns of others. From what I have gathered, the points of contention are increased trips due to trucking of grapes and visitor traffic, and visual screening of the winery. For myself and the other nearby grape growers I have conferred with, having a winery in such proximity would be very beneficial as it would reduce the amount of time trucks spend on the road. After reviewing the staff report and traffic impact analysis, the slight increase in visitors would not be problematic, but in contrast would bring economic activity and education about the Mt. Veeder appellation. In regards to screening, the olive trees along the road are a beautiful addition, and as long as the project continues to be constructed in such a tasteful manner, I welcome it to the community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben August', written over a horizontal line.

Ben August