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Mr. Fredrik Moe
The Chairman
Negril Green Island Area Local Planning Authority (NGIALPA)

Dear Mr. Moe:

Re: Proposal for another Gas Station in Negril

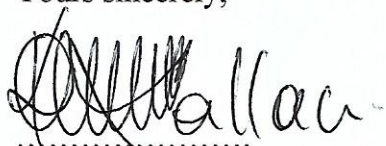
The Negril Chamber of Commerce (NCC) and the local chapter of the Jamaica Hotel and Tourism Association (JHTA) stand resolute in our objection to the proposal of establishing any other petrol/gas station on the Norman Manley Boulevard in Negril.

There are several negative consequences associated with this proposed development. This area is zoned for hotels, guest houses and residential properties only. With the development of a gas station, it would devalue the area. We believe it is most important that we adhere to the original zoning and Development Order for Negril.

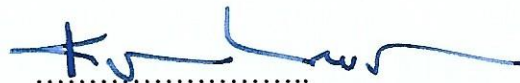
Moreover, Negril already has three gas stations and another one can pose significant hazards to the environment. The proposed location of the gas station is adjacent to a hospital currently under construction, which would encroach on the silence zone laws. It is also too close to the Morass and it is likely that spills or leaks may run off into the Morass, especially whenever it rains. In fact, the air surrounding the vicinity of any petrol station is often polluted with airborne particles emitted from evaporated fuel; hence, harmful to residents and visitors, especially children. With the frequencies of fires in the morass this is also an explosive hazard! As it pertains to traffic along the Norman Manley Boulevard, another petrol station would hinder the traffic flow and likely to cause road accidents – another challenge we are currently facing in this area.

Let us continue to work together in creating a safe environment for all Jamaicans and visitors alike. As concerned citizens of the Negril community, we have done our part by highlighting the negative consequences that may derive should another gas station be implemented within Negril.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Richard Wallace in black ink, written over a dotted line.

Richard Wallace
President NCC

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Kevin Levee
Chapter Chair JHTA