From:	Mary Madden
То:	Land Use Testimony
Subject:	[EXTERNAL] 58-02 Northern Boulevard
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My name is Mary Catherine Madden. I am a nurse practitioner at Elmhurst hospital for the past 24 years. I am a home owner on 58th Street for 30 years. I am an active life long member of our Woodside Queens community.

I participated in the September Community Board 2 meeting where the rezoning of 58-02 Northern Blvd was on the agenda.

For the past 15 or more years the former restaurant has sat abandoned. It is a hazard, a chronic graffiti eye sore and is frankly a disgrace. I support redeveloping it for a reasonable use so long as the quality of life on our block isn't diminished. A small car showroom seems reasonable to me and my family. I appreciate that the owners made commitments about being communicative with neighbors and have presented an attractive building. I'm glad that union jobs will be associated with the dealership and that it is a reputable company.

I respect that some on the Community Board are opposed to cars. I don't believe turning away a legitimate business and its jobs is the way to address their concerns about car safety. Not one person will be safer because we blocked this new business, and in the meantime my neighborhood would be stuck with this ugly shell of a building for more years to come.

I hope you will support the rezoning as it will improve the appearance and quality of life on our street.

Thank you,

Mary Catherine Madden NP

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January 2, 2023

Council Member Julie Won Council District 26 37-04 Queens Blvd., Ste. 205 Long Island City, NY 11101

Dear Council Member Won:

This letter is to advise you that the Northern Woodside Coalition (NWC) supports the rezoning of 58-02 Northern Boulevard in Queens Community Board No. 2. As you know, NWC has been active in this neighborhood for over 30 years, and we have watched this property, which has been abandoned for more than a decade, become a major eyesore in an otherwise beautiful area. The site has been a target of dumping, vandalism and graffiti.

We support the applicant's plans to redevelop the site with a small auto showroom, which we think will be appropriate for the block and benefit the community. Because the site has been vacant for so long and zoning prevents any new development besides housing, a rezoning is required for commercial use of the property. Since Northern Blvd is heavily trafficked, we feel this site would be a poor place for housing. Without rezoning approval, we expect that the site will continue to remain an eyesore to the community.

We also feel that the proposal for a small showroom could be appropriate in a two-story building without a lot and without onsite repairs. The focus on electric vehicles, and the availability of electric vehicle charges, solar panels and landscaping would further support green measures.

For these reasons, Northern Woodside Coalition supports the rezoning, and we hope that you will, too.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Ryan Director of Northern Woodside Coalition

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