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Dear Resident of Rockaway Township,

The New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) has proposed revised regulations which have nearly tripled Rockaway Township's low and moderate income housing obligation—from 417 units affordable to low and moderate income families to 1131 units. This increased obligation will result in substantially greater development activity in the Township beyond that for which we have planned. Other similarly situated Morris County municipalities have seen the same dramatic increased obligation as determined by COAH. The New Jersey State League of Municipalities, which represents all 566 municipalities in the State, has filed formal objections to these unrealistic numbers with COAH as have many of the professionals for the Township.

What can you do? If you believe, as I do, that this increased obligation is unwarranted and will detrimentally affect the quality of life in Rockaway, please let your voices be heard by writing to COAH objecting to their increasing the obligation to levels which are unrealistic. Copies should be sent to our legislators and to Governor Corzine. Their addresses are set forth below.

Once again Trenton is dictating how Rockaway Township should develop. Tell the Governor and the Legislature that we want to be able to continue to protect our environment, manage reasonable growth, upgrade other areas of the Township and maintain the open space program that we in Rockaway Township have been so diligently pursuing.

Thank you for your concern and actions.

Mayor Louis S. Sceusi

The names and addresses of whom the letters should be sent:

New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing (COAH)  
P.O. Box 813  
101 South Broad Street  
Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Office of the Governor  
PO Box 001  
Trenton, New Jersey 08625

Assemblyman Michael Patrick Carroll  
20 South Street, Suite 2B  
Morristown, New Jersey 07960

Senator Anthony Bucco  
75 Bloomfield Avenue, Third Floor  
Denville, New Jersey 07834

Assemblyman Richard Merkt  
12 Old Brookside Road  
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Senator Richard Codey  
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West Orange, New Jersey 07082

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Brooklawn, New Jersey 08030