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June 22, 2021

Dear Residents,

Our village has long suffered from landfills located within our 1.8 square miles. The State of Ohio and Cuyahoga County Board of Health issues the permits to operate and we residents have had no input **until now**. This is the first time we have a voice and I am urging all residents to help stop this.

Kurtz Brothers have applied for a new additional Construction and Demolition debris facility at 1015 Valley Belt Road. Please see the enclosed letter that I sent to the Cuyahoga County Board of Health demanding **denial** of this permit.

There are three ways you can get involved to stop this:

For the first time ever, there is a Public Hearing that will be held virtually next Monday, June 28th at 6:30 p.m. We need residents to log on and attend this meeting on ZOOM to show support and prevent this. The link to sign on to the ZOOM meeting is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89363323695>

ALL interested persons are invited and urged to attend the hearing and be heard. Written comments may be submitted to:

Cuyahoga County Board of Health
5550 Venture Drive
Parma OH 44130
Attention: Barry Grisez

I would also like to provide the Board with Petitions signed by residents. There is a Petition on the back of this letter that you may use and provide your neighbors with the opportunity to sign. I also have Petitions at the Municipal Center and at the Concession Stand. I plan to submit ALL signed petitions prior the start of the Public Hearing. Updates will be on the Village Website and Village Social Media. Signed **petitions can be dropped off at the Municipal Center no later than Noon on June 28th**.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We have suffered with these facilities since the 1960's and **ENOUGH IS ENOUGH.**

mayor mike

PETITION TO OPPOSE NEW CC&D FACILITY IN BROOKLYN HEIGHTS, OHIO

Kurtz Bros, Inc. have submitted an application for a permit-to-install for construction of a new construction and demolition debris facility to be located at 1015 Valley Belt Dr., Brooklyn Heights, Ohio 44131.

We, the undersigned citizens, out of concern for our ground water, air quality, the environment, property values, public roads and the general tranquility of our community, strongly urge the Cuyahoga County Board of Health to deny the application and not issue a permit-to-install to Kurtz Bros., Inc for a new construction and demolition debris facility.

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Cuyahoga County Board of Health
5550 Venture Drive
Parma, Ohio 44130
Attn: Barry Grisez

Re: Permit-to-install for construction of a new construction and demolition debris facility being sought by Kurtz Bros., Inc. for the proposed CC&D facility to be located at 1015 Valley Belt Drive, Brooklyn Heights, Ohio 44131 and owned by CDF, Inc.

Dear Board Members:

I am submitting this letter as Mayor of the Village of Brooklyn Heights, but more importantly on behalf of the residents of the Village of Brooklyn Heights as a formal objection to the issuance of the permit-to-install a new construction and demolition debris facility being sought by Kurtz Bros., Inc. for the proposed CC&D facility (the "Proposed Facility") to be located at 1015 Valley Belt Drive, Brooklyn Heights, Ohio 44131 and owned by CDF, Inc. RDKF, the existing CC&D located directly adjacent to the Proposed Facility, has created significant, ongoing problems for the residents of Brooklyn Heights. RDKF is also operated in part by the Kurtz Bros. As such, Brooklyn Heights believes any expansions of the existing facilities or the construction of the Proposed Facility will endanger the health, safety and general welfare of its residents.

The Proposed Facility will be located directly adjacent to several occupied homes, which demand special attention not only from the operators but from the various agencies charged with regulating and permitting the Proposed Facility. In addition to its close proximity to residential properties, the Proposed Facility is also located near the Cuyahoga River which has already been negatively impacted by the operations of the existing RDKF facility. Brooklyn Heights is also an area that has been identified for heightened residential development opportunity and environmental conservation. This makes the Proposed Facility of particular concern to the residents and business owners in Brooklyn Heights.

In my opinion, Brooklyn Heights has in the past faced an uphill battle in attempting to protect its residents from the poor operations of the RDKF facility. Numerous violations have occurred over the course of the RDKF facility's operations threatening the safety and welfare of the residents of Brooklyn Heights and specifically the immediately adjacent residential neighbors. These issues serve as the backdrop for this current objection and concerns over the Proposed Facility being even closer to residential properties and seemingly doubling the size of the existing facility.

Construction Demolition & Debris Facilities pose several health concerns to nearby residents. Harmful dust and chemicals can pollute the air and ground water and create hazardous run-off. If not properly operated and maintained offensive odors can also prevent residents from being able to enjoy their properties. In addition to health concerns, the

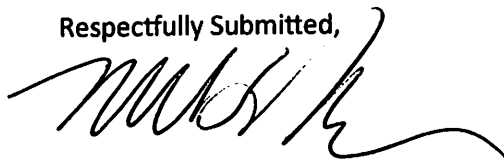
noise and traffic created by the Proposed Facility will also negatively impact neighboring property owners' use and enjoyment of their property. The Proposed Facility will be in the backyard of numerous residential homes that will bring down property values which has a detrimental impact on all residents of Brooklyn Heights and its schools. Additionally, Brooklyn Heights is concerned that an increase in large construction vehicles will have a detrimental impact on the roads within Brooklyn Heights creating additional maintenance and repair costs.

Valley Belt Road is currently severely impacted from traffic to the current facility. The road is always either dusty or muddy which creates hazardous conditions for the other drivers. Local business and those business located in Independence who utilize Valley Belt Road regularly reach out to our office with complaints regarding these hazardous conditions which have caused flat tires due to debris being left on the roads. The Proposed Facility will increase traffic and hazardous conditions creating more challenges for the Village and area business owners.

In the event the Proposed Facility begins operating in violation of applicable rules and regulations, Brooklyn Heights is at the mercy of the Ohio EPA and Cuyahoga County Board of Health in taking sufficient action to force the operators to come into compliance. This is only after a violation has been discovered and the damage has already been done.

Brooklyn Heights urges the Cuyahoga County Board of Health to deny the issuance of the permit-to-install for construction of the Proposed Facility in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Brooklyn Heights. In the event the Board disagrees, Brooklyn Heights requests that additional monitoring requirements and protections for the adjacent residential properties be required as a condition of the issuance of the permit-to-install for the Proposed Facility. As well as a specific end date to cease operations and close and cap the Proposed Facility and existing facilities. We appreciate your consideration and respectfully request you deny the permit-to-install.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Procuk', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Mayor Michael S. Procuk