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To: Board of Trustees, Village of Cayuga Heights, New York

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Subj: Hearing on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement of a Deer Remediation Plan

1. Since this and the previous administrations have continually called for Deer Remediation by lethal means the village has become divisive and has destroyed the community spirit. We now have a split community:
 - a. Those who have expressed that the only remediation is killing deer
 - b. And those who do not and believe that there has to be a better approach that would entail working with neighboring communities as part of the remediation effort.
2. So that the board may know, I **do not** give permission for our property to be used *for any purpose of this program **nor** do I give permission for the discharge of a firearm within 500 feet of our home.*
3. There is no guarantee that if the bait and shoot plan is adopted that a stray projectile will not become a lethal object to people or pets.
4. If a deer is wounded that animal can become a danger to drivers since the animal will in all probability run away very frightened.
5. How can the number of deer left to survive be defined as 20? Exactly how many deer do we have in the village? Since the mayor claimed in her television interview on WSTM that there are too many deer and has been claiming this for over a year - it is time that we know exactly how many deer there are.
6. I would like to know how much public monies our mayor and the board of trustees have spent on the "Deer Remediation Issue"?
7. Why are the mayor and the board of trustees not concerned about the villages infrastructure, such as sidewalks for all neighborhoods so that adults and school children can walk safely and not have to walk on our roadways. But I guess that would take monies away from their wanting to kill a living creature who does them no harm.
8. Why is the mayor and the board of trustees more concerned about maintaining divisiveness within the village than creating a harmonious place to live?
9. How long a time frame is the board of trustees allowed to commit public funds? Are they allowed to commit future administrations to this expense and tax burden?