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to me

**TO:** The City of Key West Planning Department  
**Re:** Public Meeting Notice  
**Subject:** 1102 Truman, Florida Keys Children's Shelter/Project Lighthouse

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

My property: 1114 Truman (Corner of Truman and Varela) is a Mixed Use property 2 stores and 3 residences.

No No No! I am not in favor of this project:

It is not an appropriate Location:

1. Too much traffic for "children" - jaywalking, playing in street, skate boards on side walk, drawing with chalk on sidewalk etc.
2. Then you have the "Million Dollar Bar" and "Teasers" strip club, not to mention the great number of Liquor Stores within sight of 1102 Truman.
3. Then you got "Dion's" 24/7 with a band of homeless as soon as they got out of tent city on Stock Island .

As a property owner I have had to install locks (1114 Truman) on the backyard gate in the last 5 years to keep vagrants out. I have had a knife pulled on me by derelict types (rainbow children - bands of them, packs of them blocking and taking over the side walk. The property between Dion's and 1114 Truman is in foreclosure/shadow market/derelict building/gutted and is continually home to drunks, druggies and other misfits which necessitate calling the police. "Project Lighthouse" lost their reputation as a good neighbor at their last location on Southard close to Duvall St.. The sidewalk was "blocked" an a regular basis with bodies, bikes and dogs and we would have to step off curb and go into the street to get by on our way to lunch. In my opinion, the definition of children should infer under 12 years old very misleading - trying to get the sympathy vote!

Your vote should be NO! It is not a compatible use for Truman Ave. (US1) and the local environment.

The real test is this: If we reverse the situation - Lets say a Bar/Liquor Store/Teasers wanted to move in next to a "Children's Shelter" that had been there for decades would you allow it.

Sincerely,  
Roger W. Akers



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