PETITION OPPOSING LAND USE AMENDMENT PROPOSALS
FOR MINTO WEST ON CALLERY JUDGE GROVE

We, the undersigned residents of the Acreage/Loxahatchee and Loxahatchee Groves communities, and residents of Palm Beach County, Florida, hereby oppose the Application for Land Use Amendment, and any subsequent and/or simultaneous zoning proposal, site planning and platting, as presented by Minto for the development of "Minto West" on property formerly known as Callery Judge Grove.

The "smart growth" development proposal by Minto is inconsistent with the Palm Beach Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The urban styled development proposal is grossly incompatible and out of character with surrounding rural/exurban communities which consist of acreage sized lots of 1¼ acre to 10 acre parcels, all having a land use and zoning of rural agricultural/residential.

The proposed new "Minto" community will devastate our rural and semi-rural communities by destroying our quality of life. This proposal will create undue and unwarranted traffic, traffic hazards, and health hazards in the forms of air, noise, light, and water pollution; strip-style commercial, leap frog development patterns and urban sprawl; and will result in an excessive increase of population and associated crime; all in an area that Palm Beach County's Comprehensive Plan and prior leaders sought to preserve and protect from urban/suburban styled development.

This proposed "new" community in the rural reaches of our County would be detrimental to small agricultural producers, livestock owners, equestrians, and nurseries. It would further be harmful for flora and fauna; and more specifically, wildlife that remain in our communities, including endangered and threatened species.

This proposed "downtown" styled development would require the use of privately owned and maintained roads outside of its development. In addition, the development would present an undue burden and strain upon our natural resources including surficial aquifer water supplies upon which our communities rely and depend.

The entire urban development scheme as presented will result in unsustainable demands and excessive burdens being placed on public services including, but not limited to, schools, fire rescue, sheriff, libraries, parks, drainage, and other governmental services in the rural reaches of our County. Such unsustainable demands would result in large tax increases for existing populations that cannot afford such burdens.

For these reasons and more, we urge the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners to protect the rural and exurban communities by upholding the preservation of our quality of life for us and for future generations to come; this by denying the land use amendment proposal and zoning associated with it. We further urge that our commissioners offer zero increase in density or intensity over the existing Agricultural Enclave as approved by Palm Beach County in 2008. Let our voices be heard through your support!

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