

Dear Representative Rice,

I am writing to ask you to oppose Marin Catholic's request for installing lights, increasing their stadium size and adding night games. If they are permitted to do so, it will drastically affect the quality of life we so enjoy here in Greenbrae and in Marin. Not only will it increase the noise pollution, but also the light pollution from their proposed night lights and exhaust pollution from an increase in traffic on SFD. SFD is already severely congested and Marin County has no idea how to address the traffic now...what will it do when a 1000 more cars are added to a Friday night for a MC game. Further, these night games will make it almost impossible for us to put our young children to bed since WE will have to be listening to the announcers and the cheering until 10pm. We tolerate it during the day because it's a day game, but it is loud and its obnoxious. Further, with the proposed construction of the hospital and of Bacich, where do you think these people are going to park – they are going to park in my neighborhood, on my street (since it's the closest to the MC) and I will then have to listen the jolly revelers after a win or loss of a game – disrupting the quality of life that we moved here for and pay good money for with the cost of living here in Marin. My home is my sanctuary and these games will take that away from us.

Please make sure an environmental assessment is done by Marin Catholic and please make sure you stand with your predecessor and oppose this expansion. There is a reason that Marin County hasn't allowed lights on sports fields since the 1970's. If Marin Catholic is permitted to do so, what's to stop other high schools around the County from doing so as well – they will be setting precedent that will downgrade the quality of life here.

Lastly, I was deeply dismayed that this topic is not on your agenda for Saturday's gathering at Bacich. I and many other community members are going to expect to hear you speak on this matter and to take a stance. Frankly, it boggles my mind that this is even up for discussion. The night games and proposed lights should have been a non-starter, but here we are again.

Kind regards,
Katherine Fligg