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To: Marine Advisory Board,

I presently am in the Bahamas where I have a home and therefore will not be able to attend the upcoming meeting on this issue slated to be heard on March 7, 2013. Therefore I have authored this note to make you aware of my feelings regarding this request.

I have owned my property on the middle river for the past thirty plus years so I am no new comer. I moved there so as not to have a homeowner's gang running the neighborhood. As you should be aware the homeowner association is not mandatory and they do not speak for all the residents of the neighborhood and should have no more impact than a single homeowner/voter concerning this issue.

I live 2 houses South of 785 Middle River Dr. at 773 Middle River Dr. and I am for the approval of the 2 (double –pile) mooring clusters that needs approval for the "after fact approval" at that address. There is no logical or safety reason to deny their request.

The placement does not present any waterway hazard as the Middle River is wide where the poles are located 40 ' from the seawall. The approval will only make this property and the surrounding properties more valuable. It has no adverse effect on the adjacent properties other than to improve their value as mentioned prior. The structure also allows for the vessel that may be moored there to be better secured in a windstorm or Hurricane situation. That in itself is reason that this request should be approved.

It should also be noted that on the other side of the river there are mooring pilings that in fact are farther out than what this property owner is requesting. To my knowledge securing the vessel as envisioned has never been cited for any safety issues on the other side of the river. Rather than that, with approval the mooring will create a safe dockage. It is my understanding that the Marine Advisory Board primary duty is to determine if there are any safety issues related to any waiver of limitation. I am not aware of any safety issues that have been provided concerning this property and therefore this request should be granted.

All other issues that the homeowners association might have are based on the basis of prejudice/envy and have no value relative to the duty of the Marine Advisory board of this request.

Please allow this property owner to utilize his water rights and enjoyment of his new home and grant his after the fact approval.

Dr. Chess/Karen Chess/Zachary/Adam