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Town of Palm Beach Landmarks Preservation Commission and Town Council 360 S. County Rd. Palm Beach, FL 33480

RE: Notice of Public Meetings of the Landmarks Preservation Commission and Town Council on 3/22/2023 and 4/3/2023 respectively pertaining to 2185 S Ocean Blvd – Phipps Park exceptions, site plan reviews and variances.

Dear Commissioners and Council Members:

Previously we attended hearings regarding the proposed improvements to Phipps Park. Regrettably we will be out of town during your upcoming meetings on the matter. We live in Sloan's Curve immediately north and adjacent to Phipps Park

We are generally favorably disposed to the plans discussed, with one exception and one caveat:

**No to Pickle Ball.** We vigorously oppose the addition of pickle ball courts because of the inevitable adverse effects of noise – from both the thwack of the ball on wood rackets and from raucous players -- on residents of adjacent housing and the inherent incongruity with the contemplative and educational activities intended for the Park.

Assurance of Adequate On-site Parking. We respectfully ask that you provide adequate parking within the perimeter of the park. We note your Par 3 golf course nearby on S. Ocean now routinely has overflow parking on the grass along S Ocean Blvd, and we think this is unsightly and at peak times adversely affects traffic on S Ocean — a situation we don't want repeated at Phipps. A professional peakparking study is warranted for Phipps.

Thanks in advance for your careful consideration of our concerns.

Sincerely,

Susie and Rick Rieser